Mr V'ilson cuts back on top salary recommendations

The Prime Minister yesterday refused to endorse in full the recommendations of the Boyle committee on top salaries, which would have given the chairmen of some nationalized industries 35.000 to £40.000. Higher civil ervants, senior Service officers and nembers of the judiciary will get

only a proportion of the recommended 28.8 per cent increase and part of any rise taking a salary over £13,000 a year will be deferred for a year. The Houghton committee yesterday recommended a £400m pay award for teachers, which would give head teachers salaries up to £8,000.

Increases in two stages

y George Clark

olitical Correspondent With his eye on the social outract, under which he wants nious to restrict their wage de-lands, Mr Wilson yesterday fused to endorse to the full re recommendations of the oyle Committee on the Review Top Salaries, which would ave given the chairmen of time nationalized industries laries of £35,000 to £40,000. The first response of Labour pliticians at Westminster last ght portended e hitter party spute for the Government. causa the Boyle report was it available until the House of ommons was ebout to rise for e Christmas recess, there were w MPs on band.

But most of those who wera edicted that they would never able to justify the pay rises, oposed and edopted, to their nstituents at a time when the nstructus at a time when the overnment is struggling to tablish and consolidate a licy of pay restraint for the unionists under the social

The Boyle committee recoged the difficulties of estab-hiog the political case for eir recommendations : "There no doubt he those wbo gard eoy large increase in salaries at the present time inappropriate.

But whatever views may be ld about the treatment of compared. ome and capital distribution a matter of overall national licy, we do not believe that would be practicable or drable for any government lead a movement towards ater equality from the public tor on its own."

any political storm over the reases will be no less fierce ause some MPs will feel the the report has compromised ar own reference for higher ir own reference for higher aries, announced on Thursy. It is the common experience politicians thet constituents s of the Establishment look er their own interests while ring the mass of working the mass of working the ple to tighten their belts. The effect of the Government's decision is that the Ministry stated: her Civil Service, senior offis of the Forces, and members the judiciary will get only proportion of the recom-nded increase of 28.8 per it, and that part of any rease taking a salary over

ucation Correspondent

1 [400m pay award for the intry's 550,000 teachers has

o recommended by Lord

ughton's committee. In the use of Commons yesterdey

Prectice, Secretary of State Education and Science, said

Government had eccepted

implications for expenditure. I believe that it is just and

r and is a recognition of the attribution which teachers ke to society", he said. The recommendations will we to be accepted by the

irnham and other committees ich negotiate teachers' pay. If they are, the heads of polyhnics and other colleges will him to the colleges.

Head teachers will receive in-asses of 32 per cent, bringing

ir salaries up to £8,000 a year. is, Lord Houghton estimates,

To assess the effect of the proposed pay increases in terms of take-home pay Is difficult, as it will vary according to each

individual's personal circumstances. But, for instance, a High Court ludge will get a rise in salary in July from £16,350 to £18,675. If he has a dependent wife and two children, a £15,000

mortgage and consequent life assurance, and assuming his marginal tax rate to be at the 68 per cent level, the rise will give him a real post-tax Increase of £750 a year, or nearly £15 a week.

£13,000 e year will he deferred until January 1, 1976.

On the question of increases recommended for the chairmen and board members of nationalized industries, Mr Wilson, in a parliamentary written reply. a parliamentary written reply, said thet the proposal raised wider questions about the levels of incomes at chairman and board room level in private industry, with which these nar-ionalized industry salaries are

compared.

The proposal of the review hody was that the chairman of the British Steel Corporation should have his salary increased from £27,750 to £40,000 a year, and the chairman of the Post and the chairman of the Post Office should heve a rise from £22,750 to £40,000.

£22,750 to £40,000.

Chairmen for whom a salary of £35,000 a year was recommended were (present salaries in hrackets): British Airways Board (£15,165, part-time); British Rail (£22,750); British Gas Corporation (£22,750); Electricity Council (£22,750); and National Coal Board (£22,750).

For the chairman of the Cen-

For the chairman of the Central Electricity Generating Board an increase from £20,750 In his written reply, the Prime

In his written reply, the frime Minister stated: The Governmenr eccepts the review body's judgment that the chairman and board members of the major nanonalized industries are at present earning substantially lower salaries than their counterparts in private industry.

would be within the top 10 per cenr of salary earners in the

But in comparison, fairly modest rises of between 15 and 20 per cent will be awarded to the 40 per cent of teachers on

Mr Edward Britton, general secretary of the National Union of Teechers, welcomed the report but said the initial starting salaries were diseppointing, as the committee bad undervalued tha importance

of the three-year teecher train-

ing course.
Mr Terence Casey, general smaller of the smaller

400m proposed for teachers

the bottom scale.

country.

In the Government's view, bow-ever, the social justification for some of the very high incomes paid in private industry would be questionable, whatever the econo-mic circumstances of the country, and bowever great the responsibi-lities the individuals concerned are asked to bear, and this is particu-larly so wheo regard is had m the

larly so wheo regard is had in the fringe benefits and beoefits in kind

which many of those concerned enjoy, to a greater extent than their counterparts in public In current economic circumstances, when the great bulk of the employed population, on much lower income levels, are being asked to accept increases which fall within the guidelines set by the TUC in accordance with the social contract, it would be particularly difficult to justify the sort of increases that would result from applying to these incomes a percentage locrease even as large as that of the rise in prices. Ir is of the essence of the social as that of the rise in prices.

Ir is of the essence of the social contract that, if those who are least paid are in be enabled, within available resources, to improve their relative position, those who are most highly paid should accept the need for extreme protraint.

restraint.

The Government therefore calls noon those concerned in the private sector, and in other parts of the public sector than those covered by the review body's report, to exercise the greatest possible degree of restraint in the determination of salaries at these top levels.

Mr Wilson seid the Government recognized that the salary rates recommended by the re-

rates recommended by the review body were appropriate on the basis of the principles on which the body conducted its

But the Government bad to consider the recommendations at e time of critical economic difficulty for the country, "and to strike e balance between that and its responsibilities for the efficient management of the public services and its obligapublic services, and its obliga-tions as the employer of those who serve it "

The Prime Minister said that for the three groups, the Civil the judiciary, the Government had accepted the salary rates recommended, for example, an increase from £16,350 to £21,000 for the permenent secretary of a ministry, but the change would be implemented in two stages, except at the lowest levels.

Mr Wilson said the differenbetween the assistant Continued on page 2, col 1

ment of polytechnics".

Mr Norman St John-Stevas

Ronald Faux writes from Edin-

burgh: The Houghton report recommendations are onlikely to end the disruption within the Scottish education system, which for several months has

Provisional IRA calls an 11-day Christmas truce

From Stewart Tendler Belfast

Belfast
The Provisional IRA's 11-day
Christmas truce, due to begin
tomorrow night, may contain
the nucleus of a longer truce.
After the announcement of the
ceasefire yesterday some republican sources said that even the
release of e number of internees, coupled with the maintenance of the low-key IRA terms
of tha ceasefire, could be
enough to take it past January
2,

One result of the Dublin statement by the Provisionals is a likely increase in violence until midnight tomorrow. Last night bombers slipped through the security net in the censre of Belfast and placed five bombs in shops among Christmas crowds. Three exploded and two were defused.

The statement at midday yes-terday was tha direct result of e peace initiative started by Pro-testant clergymen a month ago when the Rev William Arlow.

deputy secretary of the Irish Council of Churches, was in touch with the Provisionals. Last week churchmen and Provisional leaders met at Feakle, co Clare, and this week the churchmen saw Mr Rees. Later the gist of the discussions with the Secretary of State for North ern Ireland was reported back to the Provisional leadership.

Part of the Provisional IRA statement said:

Part of the Provisional IRA statement said:
While unable to agree m a total ceasefire at this stage, the army council have decided m order a suspension of operations from midnight oo Sunday, December 22, to midnight, Thursday, January 2. This move has been prompted by the courageous and positive action of the church representatives whose approach, unlike that of others, was frank and constructive at all times. The truce is also designed to give the British Government an opportunity to consider these proposals for a permanent ceasefire. The suspension of operations has been ordered on the clear understanding that a positive response will be forthcoming from the

British Government. We have noted a statement from Mr Ress to this effect, and we expect cessation of aggressive military action by Crown forces and an end m all raids, arrests, and harassments and oo reintroduction of RUC personnel io uniform or plain clothes into areas where they are not acceptable.

acceptable.

Any breach of these terms will be considered as a refusal to accept the 11-day cessation and appropriate action will be taken to protect our people. We also trust that the British Government will avail itself of this opportunity for bringing m an end the evil of internment. The leadership of the Republican movement awaits a reply from the British Government to the proposals for a ceasefire. If there is not a satisfactory answer by midnight, January 2, then the Irish Repoblican Army will have oo option but to resume hostilities.

Yesterday afternoon Mr Rees

Yesterday afternoon Mr Rees issued a statement on the cease-fire. He said he saw the churchmen on Wednesday and told them: "If there were m be a genuine cessation of violence there would he a new situation m which the Government would naturally re-

ment's position."

Mr Rees said army activity
would be related to the level would be related to the level of any action which might occur, and no specific undertakings would he given.

He was not prepared to negotiate rerms with anybody not elected to the former Assembly or the forthcoming Conversion.

Convention.

The IRA's proposals are based on their long-standing demands that a commitment to British withdrawal should be given, the

Irish should be allowed to deter-mine their own future and political prisoners should be released. The Government could react to the reduction in violenca created by the cease-fire by releasing a number of internees, not interning any more people and maintaining low army activity, which the Army says it has been doing for some works any says.

weeks, anyway. Yesterday republican sources said that the "reply" men-

noned in the Provisionals' statement could be covered by thosa government actions. government actions.

During the period of the cease-fire the Provisionals do not expect the army to stop patrolling or manning road blocks but they reason that a cease-fire would mean no need for more overt military action such as raids.

Apart from wornes about an increase in violence today and tomorrow, the ceasefire may mean e new wave of sectarian killing. During the mid-1972 ceasefire this form of violence started.

It is understood that Provisional leaders in Belfast were in touch yesterday with "loyalists" groups and esked them to prevent this happening again.

The Protestant clergymen whose actions brought about whose actions brought about yesterday's statement expressed pleasure at what had happened. The Church of Ireland Bishop of Connor, Dr Bntler, said: "I am delighted we shall bave this chance of a ceasefire, but there is a long way to go."

But the Rev Ian Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionist Party, said: "The terms of the truce are terms of capitulation and surrender. The

capitulation and surrender. The only reason the IRA are having a truce is because they have got what they waoted ". Mr Brian Faulkner, former

Chief Executive and leader of the Unionist Party of Northern Ireland, said: "No temporary ceasefire can justify negotia-tions with the IRA."

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Army defuses station bomb

A huge bomh that failed to go off last night could have caught hundreds of troops and commuters in its blast. The bomb containing 44 sacks of gelinite was planted at Aldershot railway station, Hamp-shire, as soldiers were passing through to start Christmas

It was spotted within minutes and moved to an isolated spot while the town centre was sealed off and evacuated. The bomb was in a brown canyas bold-all left jnst inside the black the platform. ticket barrier on the platform.
It was spotted just after 6 pm by e railway worker.

£300) paid out by a German cereals exporter who failed to fulfil his contract by the stipulated deadline.

He took the matter to court in Frankfurt, claiming that the loss of his deposit under Com-

munity regulations was a viola-tion of human rights guaranteed

by the West German constitu-

cion. The Frankfurt court re

ferred the matter to the Euro-

Luxembourg, which ruled against the claim for a refund.

eccept this, and referred the matter to the Constitutional

The seven judges there did not question the European

Court's decision oo the lost

deposit. But e majority of them claimed that they were com-petent to rule on the applica-bility of EEC law in relation

to the constitution of the Federal Republic. Three judges

issued a dissenting judgment.

The Frankfurt court did not

Justice in

pean Court of

Court in Karlsruhe.

EEC threatens to sue

Bonn over judgment

From Roger Berthoud

The European Commission is

threatening to sue the West

German Government for breach

of the Treaty of Rome vuless it

disavows a recent ruling by

the Constitutional Court in

remacy of EEC law over

In e letter to the Bonn Gov-

ernment, the Commission ques-tions the court's right to declare

derived EEC law to be inapplicable in the Federal Republic

where human rights guaranteed

by the constitution are con-cerned. This, the Commission states, would jeopardize the principles of the uniform appli-

cation of Community law in all member states. Bonn shares the

The case goes back several

years and concerned, predict-ably, e trivial metter: the loss

of a deposit of DM1,700 (about

Commission view.

disruhe challenging the sup-

Brussels, Dec 20

national law.

French move on gold valuation

France intends to revalue its gold reserves, possibly in January, M Jean-Pierre Fourcade, the French Finance Minister, said in Paris yesterday. This move follows closely the Shah of Iran's warning on Thursday that the revaluation of gold by the industrial nations would lead to a further sharp rise in the price of oil and endanger the international monetary system. It seems likely that the Middle East system. Ir seems likely that the Middla East oil producers and the consuming countries are now on a collision course

World court suit over French tests dropped

The World Court decided, by nine votes to six, to drop the Australian and New Zealand lawsuits asking it to rule against France's etmospheric nuclear tests in the Pacific. It decided that the lawsuits' object, an end to the tests, had been achieved siece France had announced e switch to underground testing. The dispute before the court therefore had ceased to exist Dr Alex Smith, chairman of the committee of directors of polytechnics, said: "We are very pleased. The report opens op very big opportunities for a major edvance in the develop-

A High Court judge ruled yesterday that the act of a woman who sold her £45,000 Islington house to her husband for £1 must stand. Mrs Noelle Mann hed asked for permission to cancel the sale, which, she said, she made while in emotional distress because of the break-up of Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Opposition apokesman on education, welcomed the report as giving a fair deal for teachers but said the very large cost of the increases should be borne by the exchequer and not by the rates.

£1 house deal stands

her marriage Page 3

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with its venture into the art market; George Hutchinson: Facts and fancies for the political new year; Willis Hall reports on how the game of Rugby League is faring in the south; Christmas Quiz.

Quiz.

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Palme Dutt.

Business News, pages 15-19 Stock market: Property and bank shares were active, but lost most of early gains. The FT index added 0.2 to 163.5. Personal investment and finance

Insurance: Cover for when tha best-laid schemes go wrong; Law: On the art of getting something for nothing; Pensions: thing for nothing; Pensions: Benefits for dependants; Inves-tor's week.

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period of governmental economy. It takes 18 months to

prepare the census; 20 million

forms have to he printed and 100,000 staff recruited.

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ich negotiate teachers' pay. If they are, the heads of polyhmics and other colleges will increases of between 40 and per cent, giving principals of itain's 30 polytechnics more in £12,000 e year, more than iversity vice-chancellors. Polyhnic lecturers would also get their rewards than ninversity turers. Head teachers will receive insess of 32 per cent, bringing ir salaries np to £8,000 a year. is, Lord Houghton estimates, been affected by strikes and militant ection from teachers. Mr John Pollock, secretary-designate of the Educational Institute of Scotland, largest of the teachers' organizations, said 8, 20 12 5-10 8 12 11 Obituary Parliament Science Services Suow Report Sport Home News European News Overseas News Appointments Appointments Bridge Business 12 15 12 12 12 14 13, 14 Court Crosswords Engagements Fustures Gardening Law Report Letters the f41m offer to Scottish teachers fell short of whar had been claimed. Pay details, page 2 Leading article, page 11 National census

Consultants' talks fail and IMA calls for sanctions

falks on a new contract for pital consultants broke down a stormy session last night tween representatives of the fession and Mrs Castle, cretary of State for Social

Mrs Castle said later that tha itish Medical Association had ected the Government's prosals and intended to recomand intended to technical the introduction of sancus from January 2. Many of
country's 11,000 consultants
likely to begin working to
otract from that date.

Mrs Castle deplored the BMA s oot free to exercise its own dgment and consult individual mbers about the value of an fer before plunging patients the Nationel Health Service to the hazards of sanctions. As she understood it, the ctors' main objections were at the Government would not cept any item of a service tract and that they objected

or the health service
Dr Derek Stevenson, secretary of the BMA, said the Government offer was almost precisely the same as the original one, and amounted to a take it or leave it nonnegotiable package.

They would sand the process. the health service

They would send the proposals to all senior hospital staff, but would be advising members that unless there was some im-mediate change they would he advised to work to contract from January 2.

In the consultants' view the new contract did not meet their two main principles. The Gov-ernment was still determined that those who worked full time in the NHS were to be paid extre mooey not for the extra work but because of total commitment to the state.

The effect of working to contract would be that consultants would work their usual contrec-tual hours (33½ to 38½ a week) and would then cease. Every any additional recognition doctor would he evailable to a consultant who continue if rehired through the himself combine and the second state of t himself totally evailable agencies set up by the BMA Israel.

Mr Rabin challenges Egyptian President to meet for discussions on peace "If you, President Sadat, arecordoned off the area and

Tel Aviv, Dec 20.—Mr Rabin, the Israel Prime Minister, said today that Egypt must decide within a few weeks whether it wanted m avoid further war. He challenged President Sadat to e face-to-face meeting to discuss the prospects for peace. He was speaking at a businessmen's luncheon after military sources had reported that Egyptian submarines and missile

boats had sailed through the Suez Canal, a sign that it would soon be open to traffic.

In an interview on American television yesterday President Sadat said that he wanted to achiave peace with Israel. Mr Rabin reported: "I would kabin reported: "I would phrase my question to him this way: If you really want peace, why do you just say so for propaganda purposes on American television?

"Why do you not rether take a real concrete step Let us eit.

e real concrete step. Let us sir together in the presence of others with the purpose of the meeting and the dialogue being a peace between Egypt and

ready for that I am ready—at any place and et any time."
Military sources said that although some work remained in clearing away silt and war debris from the Suez Canal, it was nearly ready to accommo

was nearly ready to accommo-date civilian shipping.

Israel leaders have said that Egypt could provide a concrete sign of its intentions to pursue peace by reopening the canal to civilian traffic and rebuilding the four towns along its

A powerful bomb explosion wounded 12 people, two seriously, in central Jerusalum to-The bomb exploded in Ben

Yehude Street, en evenue of cafés, shops and offices just after lunchtime when it was crowded with shoppers before the sahbath.
"There was a massive explosion, a lor of smoke and some panic", one eyewitness said. People were rushing every-

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent The police said that the explosion had heen apparently sat off eccidentally by a police officer A population census will be taken in 1976, Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, announced yesterday

called to examine a suspicious container found on a pavement.

"Outside the Café Navah the officer found a can and paint in a Commons written reply. officer found a can and paint brushes and another tin of paint", a police spokesman told reporters. "There was no indication of a booby trap or explosives. The officer went back to his car and decided to open the tin with a screwdriver. As he was opening it, it went off."

A policeman and a civilian She said the decision had been taken "In view of the pressing need in the latter part of this decade for comprehensive and up-to-date information on which to base decisions over a wide range of social national and local level ".

A policeman and a civilian were reported to be in hospital with serious injuries. The other wounded were three children, which have been pressing since 1971 to make the census a fivefour women and three men, a spokesman said. The bomb exploded outside e yearly event. houtique. Its owner, Mr Yosef Mrs Castle has also overcome any doubts ebont speed-ing the £20m needed in a

Mabmies, told reporters: "There were injured people on the pavement and we took them into the shop. The doorstep was covered in blood."—UPI and

where to get out of e hail of Reuter shattered glass." The police Dayan revelation, page 3

Watergate jury hears final address

Display figures in Selfridges window displaced by the hombing in Oxford Street, London, on Thursday night, Report, page 2.

The Watergate trial is reaching its climar with the prosecuting lawyer delivering his final address. The jury will have two days off for Christmas and then begin to consider their verdict on Mr Richard Nixon's associates who are eccused of conspiring to obstruct justice. After three months the strain is telling on everyone. The defendants, particularly Mr John Mitchell, the former Attorney General, look increasingly baggard and Jndge Sirica is tiring

Gatwick strike threat

All flights into end out of Gatwick, London's All flights into end out or Garwick, London's second airport, on Monday will be cancelled if e 24-hour strike planned by staff of the British Airports Authority goes ahead. The strike would be to support e claim for an allowance similar to the London weighting allowance

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Addis Ababe: Ethiopia's new rulers publish their plans for turning the country into a socialist state Washington: House of Representatives passes two Bills on trade with Russia in spite of

protests from Moscow Industry study: A Commons snb-committee is to hegin a "searching and wide-ranging investi-gation" into the British momr industry next

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Houghton committee wants bigger pay increases for teachers as they get to the top

By Tim Devlin Education Correspondent The Houghton Committee

which yesterday recommended in salary increases totalling £400m for more than 500,000 teachers. has " pulled out the concertina " to give teachers larger increases as they get to the top, according to its chairman, Lord Houghton.

reach in a reasonably successful career.

Lord Houghton was asked to he says.

Lord Houghton rerommends a basic starting salary of £1,677 a year for all teachers in Britain. The previous salary was £1,449 in England and Wales, and £1,446 for primary school teachers in Scotland.

That increases so the salary of £1,677 the salary services of about 32 per average rises of about 32 per salary services of about 32 per salary servi That increase of nearly 16 per cent is, as expected, much niore modest than the increases

of between 20 and 32 per cent for more senior teachers and head teachers. Lord Houghtoo makes the general point that since the education service is expanding at a slower rate there is no need to improve the present recruitment figures.

He says: "Over the last nine or 10 years those near the lower eod of the teaching profession have fared much better than those in the higher reacbes."

The committee rerommends that graduates and good honours graduates should start at £1,899 and £2,013 respective-

secretary's scale and the under-

secretary's salary had virtually disappeared. As the assistant

secretary's salary was due for a

further increase soon the increase recommended for the

under-secretary would be implemented io full from the

To preserve a reasonable progression of salaries above that level the following arrangements would apply:

For salaries which would under the recommendations be increased to £13,000 or less, the proposals will be implemented to full as to amount and the effective date.

For salaries which would be locreased from a present rate of less than £13,000 to a new rate of more than £13,000, the whole of the amount of the recommended in-

rrease up to £13,000 and half of the amount of the increase above £13,000 will be paid from the recommended dates and the rest

will be paid from a date 12 mooths

For salaries at a present rate of more than £13,000, balf the recommended increase will be paid from the effective dates recommended by the review body, and the other half from a date 12 months later.

Dealing with nationalized in-dustries salaries, Mr Wilson said that the Royal Commission

on Income Distribution and

Wealth was conductiog an in-

quiry into higher incomes, and that would cover both the pri-vate and the public sector.

report can be expected to provide a comprehensive review of

the considerations applicable to high incomes . . and will therefore afford a basis on

which the Government can consider policy towards high incomes generally.

The Government will be discossing with the royal commission the possibilities of its accelerating this

sibilities of its accelerating this inquiry so as to be able to complete its report mucb earlier than originally intended, and will be willing to provide the commission with any additional staff and facilities required to enable it to do so. In the meantime the Government

proposes to postpone decisions on the review body's recommendations for chairmen and board members

for chairmen and board members of nationalized industries. This will permit further consideration of this group of salaries, taking account of the royal commission a report and of any decisions taken by the Government following that

Mr Wilson recognized that

the need to phase the increases arose from their size and this

in turn reflected the long interval which bad elapsed

When outside salaries are increasing as rapidly as they have increased in recent years, it is clearly unsatisfactory that so long

a period should elapse between reviews of salaries of public

The Government therefore pro-

poses to iovite the review body in futore to review these salaries

annually. It is proposed that the next review should produce recommendations in respect of all

the groups covered by the present report for rates of salary appro-priate from April 1, 1976.

Mr Wilson added:

"The royal commission's

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due date.

later.

Scotland graduates should atart at £1,899 and £1,995, depending on whether they are tearbing in primary or secondary schools, and honours graduates there should start at £2,265. Lord Houghton recommends

that the special increase for a good honours graduate should be dropped after the hottom The committee's first aim scale. "Promotion to a higher has been to establish a satisfar-scale, not only to posts of additory relationship between the tional responsibility but also as starting salary of a non-grad- a recognition of classroom uate qualified assistant teacher seaching quality, should carry and the salary level which a its own salary reward and good teacher might expert to there is no justification for increasing that reward on the basis of initial qualifications",

report on teachers' salaries as The 172-page report reromthey stood on May 24, 1974, mends a radical restructuring and the recommended in of the five assistant teacher rreases are backdated to then, scales. Scales two and three But his report does not take account of £229 threshold increases and they should be account to his recommended to his recommended to follow an arithmetical progression.

A head teacher of a small school would have his salary increased from £2,565 to £3,381 and of the largest school from £6,456 to £8,523. Deputy bead teachers would receive between 73 and 83 per rent of

the bead teachers' salary. The higgest increases would go to lecturers and principals in colleges of further and higher education. Lord Houghton recommends an immediate increase of 15 per cent and over, but many of them receive increases of well over 35 per

cent Some principals of further

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Magistrate, July 17, 1875, and July 17, 1976.

servants covered by the top salaries review body into line with the effective date for the pay increases in other parts of the non-industrial Civil Service. Sloce that date will fall either three mooths after or. In the case of some members of the judiclary, three months before the dates upon which the second stage of

upon which the second stage of the present increases will fail due for implementation, some transi-tional arrangements will be re-quired and it may at that stage be necessary to consider some further staging of whatever

increases the review body then

body would be asked to consider

ministerial salaries under the

same reference, but whatever

the body's recommendations might be the salaries of Cabi-

net ministers would not he changed before January 1, 1976.

In its report, the review body

Mr Wilson said the review

recommends.

This will bring the effective date states that the recommenda-of new rates for the senior civil tions represent an average

£100m marina, inquiry told

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increase in overall remuneration

at present rates, including threshold payments, of 28.8 per

cent, and would cost an addi-

On the same annual hasis, it

was estimated that the index of

average salaries will bave increased by 13.2 per cent, and

the index of retail prices by

Jobn Chartres writes from Knutsford: Mr Joseph Gorm-ley, president of the National

Union of Mineworkers, said in

Knutsford yesterday before Mr Wilson's Commons statement on

top salaries that substantial in-

creases paid now to chairmen of

nationalized industries, judges

and senior civil aervants would make it more difficult to con-

viure unions "to stick rigidly

to the social contract if they see

it breached in other quarters".

tional £5.1m in a full year.

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education colleges would get increases of nearly 75 per cent. Lord Hooghton says: our view, teachers doing work broadly equivalent to that in universities should have broadly the same career pros-pects as university lecturers.

Salaries for lecturers would start at £1,869 in England and Wales and at £2,121 in Scotland and go to a common maximum of £6,429. College principals would get increases of between 40 and 75 per cent, which would increase the salary of the principals of the largest polytechnics from about £7,600 to about £12,000.

Lord Houghton also recommends that the system of assigning points for school pupils should be changed to allow all schools to bave at least one promoted post and give far more pasts of special responsibility in primary, mid-dle, and aecondary schools without sixth forms in England and Wales.

The main changes are that pupils aged 13 and under should count as two points instead of one-and-a-balf, and pupils aged 17 and over sbould

head teachers, who would get average rises of about 32 per cent. This would put most of them within the top 10 per cent of salary earners in the would be (previous salaries are





The complete list of the Review Body on Top Salaries, existing and proposed salaries mentioned in the Prime of senior civil servants and Minister's statement yesterday, others submitted by the Boyle is as follows: Court of the Irish Republic, Mr Fiolay, yesterday that Mrs Roisin McLaughlin, who is wanted in Ulster on a murder charge, sbould not be extradited to Northern Ireland, slnre the offence for which she was wanted was within the provi-

> extradited for a political offence. Mrs McLaughlin, whose extradition had been stolen in Fulham. The car was seen travelling along Oxford Street near Selfridges at 8.20 pm. It pulled into a bus bay at an awkward angle, blocking the exit of a hus already in the 1973, left the court a free hay. woman. The court refused to allow her costs.

brook, Douglas, Cork, is wanted in Ulster on a charge of murder-ing Sergeant Mirhael Muldoon, one of four Army sergeams alleged to have been lured to a flat on the Antrim Road in Belfast and shot. Three were killed and the other seriously

Driver of bomb car had an argument with Oxford Street busman, police say

vant"

By Neville Hodgkinson The terrorist who drove a

The memorial at Naseby commemorating Cromwell's cavalry charge which is said to have finished the Royalists.

green pastures of nearly as many years cover the scars of Cromwell'a rout 6: Prince Rupert. The Department of the Environment is planning to build a 59m-£15m road link between the A1 at Huntingdon and the M1 at Catthorpe to take traffic from the East Anglian ports. It would pass Naseby at sword's length.

The department bas offered

It is a choice which Mr Frank

100lb car bomb into Oxford Street on Thursday night was involved in an argument with a hus driver 40 minutes before the explosion, Scotland Yard said yesterday.

They appealed for any witnesses to the argument to telephone them.

The bomb was in a light blue-grey Ford Cortina, registration number KOF 330E, which bad been stolen in Fulham. The car was seen travelling along Oxford Street near Selfridges at 8.20

"The bus driver got our and had words with the driver of the car, and as a result the car was moved", the Yard said.

The hus driver gave a good description of the wanted man. Penny Symon writes: Shoppers who clustered round police cordons set up in the Oxford Street area yesterday after Thursday

Mr Digby Maitland, clerk of the Haselbech parisb meeting, complains: "The advocates of

the southern route round the village of Naseby ignore the

fact that it would cause the destruction of part of the village of Haselbech, the murilation of 12 small farms between the village of Kelmarsh and the M1,

and would place the road in such a position relative to Naseby that the village would

receive all the noise and pollu-tion carried by the prevailing wind. The battlefield is irrele-

There are also signs that not only might there be indignant skirmishes between the good

people of Haselbech.

anger.

A conple with two children emerged from Bond Street underground station and attempted to set off up Oxford Street towards Selfridges. They were stopped by a police cordon and rold through a loudhailer:

"Don't just stand around, move along down towards Oxford along down towards Oxford Circus, and keep going smartly." The section of Oxford Street

from Bond Street station almost to Marble Arch was closed all day, partly because the damage was so extensive but also hecause of a spare of hoar calls. The husband said his first reaction was anger "because of all this mess, and the possibility innocent people getting killed.

"But it would be a tragedy if people began to take the law into their own hands and began throwing hombs through Irish houses in London, because this is orecisely what the IRA want." up to London specially today

His wife added: "We came to do Christmas shopping, and this is very sad to see."
Others suggested that the

there was also much sadness and death penalty or much tougher anger.

deportation laws were the solu-

no other choice, and Naseby, but also a tragic civil war in Naseby itself between those who live in the north and those who live in the south.

Mr Brian Coxon, secretary of Naseby Parish Action Committee, told me: "The wbole village feels the proposals are completely unacceptable. They

are completely divisive, but the village is united and we shall

Mr Peter Linnell, sub-post-master of Nasehy, told me: "We get hundreds of visitors

bere in the summer from all over the world to see the battle-field. If the Department of the

Environment continue like this there is going to be another battle of Naseby."

fight to the nth degree.

Group, describes as amounting the northern route if there is to being sbot or hanged.

understandably would prefer the northern route if there is no other choice, and Naseby,

A man who was replacing Sel-fridges' broken plate glass windows was surrounded by the wrecked window display, a Dickensian theme. The dummies lying on the pavement covered in glass looked macabre.

Only the carpet department at Selfridges failed to open at 9 am. Staff and maintenance men worked all night to clear

Pop group detained: Three members of an Irisb pop group who were being questioned last night by Bomb Squad detec-tives had been booked to play at a Christmas dance organized by the Midland Motorway Police in Birmingham (the Press Assoriation reports).

The men were detained after police raided several houses in Birmingham on Thursday night, when they were to have played at the dance.

Civil servant in 'Poulson army' fined

Alfred John Merritt, aged 71, formerly principal regional officer with the Ministry of Health in Leeds, was fined £2,000 and sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment suspended for two years at Leeds Crown Court yesterday on 12 charges of corruptly accepting more than £4,000 in gifts or considerations from John Poul-son, the former international arrhitect

Mr Merritt, now retired, of Grangewood Court, West Park, Leeds, pleaded guilty to the charges. Two others, to which he pleaded not guilty, were left in the file. He was said to have a pension of £3,000 a year, savings of £575 and shares valued

at £1,400. He was given a year to pay the fine. Mr Justice Caulfield told Mr Merritt it was a very sad day for him when he met John Poulson in a brief encounter on a train in 1963. "He made you a corporal in bis fifth column and you ried yourself to the cow's tail", the judge said.

"It is obvious you have not made money as such out of your corruption. It is obvious you are not a rich man and it is equally

not a rich man and it is equally not a rich man and it is equally obvious from the lettera written on your hehalf that you did your work as principal regional officer properly", be said.

"If I sent you to prisoo immediately you would be the first person in this army of criminals that have flowed from Poulson to go to prison over the

Poulson to go to prison over the age of 70. After careful reflec-tion I have decided that it would tion I have decided that it would be of no particular benefit m anyone, except judicial pamper-ing to public opinion, which I trust I shall not do, if I sent you

to prison immediately."
"Instead I will fine you to take away all your assets."

Det Supt Colin Wood, of New Scotland Yard Fraud Department, said that as a result of the court appearance part of Mr Merritt's pension might be taken from him.

Fleet St peace talks are adjourned

Talks at the offices of the Conciliation and Arbitration Service to try to resolve the dispute between the National Graphical Association, representing printing craftsmen, and national newspaper managements, were adjourned last night after several bours and are due to resume on Mooday. On Thursday the NGA sus-pended its industrial action so

men worked all night to clear up.

Mr Peter Williams, the deputy general manager, said they had been pleasantly surprised by the number of shoppers also by the response of the staff, and other stores, which offered help.

Pop group detained: Three members of an Irisb per members and other worker in the industry.

It was stated on December 1 that Construction Promotion Lt built the Gozo hospital. Develop ment Management i International Ltd, which purchased Constructio Promotion in 1972, has asked to to state that no construction col-tract was awarded to Constructio Promotion, who were never con tractors, and that Constructo Promotion did nor build, and ha no connexion with, the Gos

The department bas offered the villagers the alternatives of a southern route, which the locals say would destroy part of the neighbouring village of Haselbech as well as ruin Nasehy environmentally, and a northern route, which would bave the same effect on Naseby as well as ruining the hitherto orials, were until recently the only reminders of the English Civil War battle there in 1645 which sealed the fate of Charles The 350 villagers of Naseby, however, are being called again to arms in defence of Naseby Field, where the bedgerows and as well as ruining the hitherto well preserved battlefield. Robson, chairman of the vocif-

A few relics which the far-mers of the riny Northampton-shire village of Naseby occa-sionally unearth, together with two eighteenth-century mem-

Battle lines

redrawn

at Naseby

By Michael Horsnell

woman to Ulster The President of the High

Under this Act, no one can be

sions of the 1965 Extradition

Mrs McLaughlin, of Donny-

evening's car bomb blast, were showing some defiance. But Provincial journalists vote against strike

By Raymond Perman

and are to accept a pay offer of £5.80 a week. Branches of the National

Union of Journalists decided by Labour Staff

Journalists on provincial daily and weekly newspapers have voted against the recommendation of their union that they should strike from January 1 and are to accept a pay offer of £5.80 a week.

Omon of Journalists decided by The union had been claiming increases of between £7.50 and figures were 4,102 against taking action. The individual voting figures weekly rate for senior journalists of £13.31 to give a new basic were 4,102 against and 1,523 in favour, in just over a 60 per cent poll. Mr Kenneth Morgan, general secretary, said: "The new offer is of £7 across-general secretary, said: "The new offer is of £7 across-general secretary, said: "The new offer is of £7 across-general secretary, said: "The new offer is of £7 across-general secretary, said: "The new offer is of £7 across-general secretary, said: "The union had been claiming increases of between £7.50 and £13.31 to give a new basic weekly rate for senior journalists decided by

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The union had been claiming

the board from January 1, but it includes payment of £1.20 as the final threshold payment, to which the union says it was already entitled.

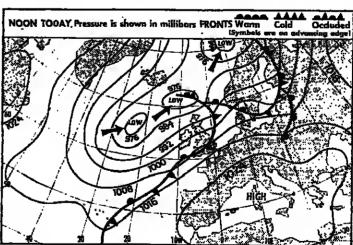
Study of artists' earnings

By Our Arts Reporter The Arts Council is studying how artists engaged in the visual arts can be assisted, after receiving a report on their earnings. The council's concern resulted in a survey which disclosed "rather depressing consideration of how best figures" of what even success- allocate the £1.75m suppleme

more than £2,000 e year. Three ways help can be give are being considered: by pu chase of works, by grants, ar by helping to get the artist works shown abroad.

The council is also well in ful artists can achieve. In tary allowance for the arts many cases this was put at not nounced by the Government.

Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Sun sets: 3.54 pm .4 am Moon rises : 11.23 am tomorrow First Quarter 7.43 pm.

First Quarter 7.43 pm.
Lighting up: 4.24 pm to 7.34 am.
High water: Loodon Bridge 6.5
am, 6.3m (20.8tt); 6.45 pm, 6.2m
(20.5tt). Avonmouth, 11.27 am,
10.6m (34.9ft); 11.52 pm, 10.3m
(33.8tt). Dover, 3.19 am, 5.9m
(19.2tt); 3.53 pm, 5.5m (18.0tt).
Hull 10.47 am, 5.9m (19.5tt).
10.41 pm, 6.2m (20.5tt). Liverpool
3.39 am, 7.0m (22.9tt); 3.56 pm,
7.3m (23.8tt).

A deep depression will move NE towards NW Scotland and the

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Micross NW Scotland and the
associated fromts will cross Scotland, N England and N Wales.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
London, East Anglia, E, SE,
SW, central N England,
SW, central S, central N England,
Showers; wind SW, strong

High water: London Bridge 6.50 am, 6.1m (19.9ft); 7.37 pm, 6.0m (19.6ft). Avonmouth 12.17 pm, 10.2m (33.6ft). Dover 4.11 am, 5.6m (18.4ft); 4.54 pm, 5.3m (17.4ft). Hull 11.42 am, 5.7m (18.8ft); 11.40 pm, 6.0m (19.7ft). Liverpool 4.30 nm, 6.8m (22.2ft); 4.51 pm, 7.0m (23.0ft). Midlands, Channel Isles, S Wales:

Tomorrow

Sun rises : 8.4 am

Full Moon: December 29.

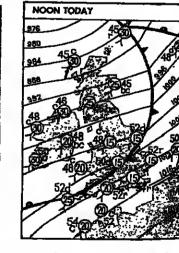
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Moon sets: Moon rises: 12.25 am 11.42 am

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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; Nice f 12 As Nicola f 14 57 Oslo loo 1 34 Paris f 111 50 Royslavik f 7 19 Rome s 12 51 Ronalday c 12 50 Stockholm r 5 27 Venice s 6 45 Venice s 6 46 Venice s 6 46 Venico F 46



N Wales, NW, NE Englan Lake District, Isle of Mar Cloudy with rain and hill fo becoming somewhat brighter wishowers; wind SW, strong gale; max temp 9°C (48°F).

Outlook for tomorrow a Monday: Mild with rain at fir in the S; showers in the N otherwise mainly dry with brig periods and temp near norma
Sea passages: S North Se
Strait of Dover: Wind SW, stro
to gale; sea rough.
English Channel: Wind S\(^1\) fresb or strong, perhaps gal-sea rough. St George's Channel, Irisb Se Wind SW, strong to gale, perba severe gale later; sea rough.

Yesterday

The Committee of the Co

Loadon: Temp: max, 6 am 10 pm, 12°C (54°F); min, 6 pm 6 am, 8°C (48°F). Humidity, pm, 76 per cent. Rain, 24 hr 6 pm, nil. Sun, 24 hr to 6 p 0.2 br. Bar. mean sea level, 6 p 1,016 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars = 29.5310.

Inflation 'could destroy? rates system

By Our Local Government

Correspondent

A warning that inflation tbreatens the very life of local authorities comes from a local government finance expert writing in the current isaue of Public Finance and Accountancy, journal of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy.

Mr C. S. Oaborn, director of finance, Bedford district council, says that with inflation running at nearer 20 per cent than the 10 per cent of the last decade, "it begins to take on an entirely new and menacing aspect

"It certainly throws our traditional notions on budgetary principles into question and even threatens to destroy the local taxation system, which has lasted well over 400 years. If that happens there is every prospect that local authorities as we know them will be sunk Leading article, page 11 | without trare."

Sticks of rock used as 'bomb' by bank raider

A man carrying a briefcase filled with sucks of rock looking like dynamite failed yesterday to bluff a hank manager at Newmarket into parting with £30,000. The man walked into a branch of the Midland Bank and handed Mr Edward Kell, the manager, a note demanding

the money.

Mr Kell pressed an alarm klaxon and the raider left. The street outside was cleared after the raider said the briefcase would explode if it was pulled away. But he was talked into banding it over.

Bomb disposal experts later

blew open the briefcase with a controlled charge and found the dummy homb. Later a man was detained. Police said he would appear in court today.

Mr George Thomson

don, for medical checks.

Mr George Thomson, one of Britain's two European commissioners, has heen admitted to King's College Hospital, Lon-

Conditional plan could halt | Mr Buckton tells BR, buy land, not art

a way of avoiding insurance t, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

directly henefit the industry, such as buying surplus land heing sold off by British Rail, and developing it in housing for rail employees. But Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary elect of the National Union of Railwaymen, has said: "I don't see anything immoral in it. We bave to preserve the value of our pension." Rail's Pension Fun.l is investing in major works of art bas also caused a flurry of interest in museum and gallery circles. The fund bas stated that "the aim is that the works ahould be placed on public exhibition wherever possible". Among other things, this is a way of avoiding insurance costs; a Crown indemnity

The revelation that Britisb

applies to all works on loan to national institutions. Sir Norman Reid, director of the Tate Gallery, said he was beartened by the interest of any new group Art investment risks, page 10 Cording

for these flats", he said. "It could apply for consent to build The company, who want to build 1,450 luxury flats on a them at a later stage." B.

Any planning permission which affects the financial viability of the £100m Brightoo marina scheme could mean that the project would remain uncompleted. This warning was given yesterday by Mr Peter Boydell, QC, representing the Brighton Marina Company, on the final day of a two months' long planning inquiry.

From Our Correspondent

Brighton

across the 2,000-berth yachting harhour, are concerned that planning permission may he conditional on their completing all the flats at an early stage They would prefer to add the 500 promontory flats as demand proved them necessary. Ruther than be subject to such a condition, the company would prefer to withdraw the application

central spine and promontories

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of the Associated Society

of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, bas taken issue with the decision by the trustees of the British Rail Pension Fund to invest some of their assets in the art market with the advice of Sotheby's. As e union representative on the invest-ment committee be has fought the idea from the start. He suggests that if an nuconventional investment medium is being looked for, a scheme should he found that would

serve the value of our pension fund. We are living in times of 20 per cent inflation. These works of art are more than likely to retain their value, and indeed improve on it as time

World Court drops

lawsuits against

ly Our Political Staff

in the aftermath of govern-tent financial support for ritish Leyland, the trade and idustry sub-committee of the omnions Expenditure Commit-comnions Expenditure Commit-ge announced yesterday that they will be conducting an equity into the British motor chicle industry. They plan " a carching and wide-ranging trestigation lasting throughout the spring and most of the immer".

The subcommittee decided to ke s particular interest in the ructure and financing of the otor industry, its place in the onomy and significance for e halance of payments, its port performance and poten-il, labour relations, profitabil-, productivity, and public in-

tries overseas; and commercial vehicles, motor-cycles, eod tractors will be included in the Simultaneously, the general

subcommittee, under the chair-manship of Mr Michael English, manship of Mr Michael English, will he investigating the financing of public expenditure, covering public borrowing, taxation and oil. Because of the delicacy of some aspects of this ioquiry it will out he open must the public.

The Select Committee on Nationalized Industries has decided to direct one subcommittee to examine the invulvement

tee to examine the involvement of nationalized industries to the exploitation of North Sea oil and gas, and a second subcom-nuitee to examine the owner-, productivity, and public in-stment. ship, macagement, and use of shipping by nationalized in-Comparison will be made dustries.

Heating restrictions to egin on January 13

Our Business News Staff
Restrictions on heating levels huildings and no the use of setricity for advertising in ylight hours, announced by Varley, Secretary of State Energy, on December 9, will me ioto force at midnight on advertising to signs in windows or in the

nday, January 12. They are implemented by two lers published yesterday, the el and Electricity (Heating) outol) Order 1974 and the ectricity (Advertising Light!) (Control) Order 1974.

ing signs in windows or in the opeo except under licence.
The Electricity Council stated

yesterday that the Government had approved a 5 per cent increase in electricity prices from January 1.

Fatwick strike threat to re-Christmas flights

Arthur Reed

lights hefore Christmas into out of Gatwick, the second adon airport, are threatened a planned 24-hour strike by the British Airport Authority ff. The action is due to begin midnight tomorrow hut uld be over in time for airs and the airport m meet main holiday departure rush Christmas Eve.

he airports authority said terday that they had been ned by staff and trade union resentatives of the dispute, ch is in support of a claim a Gatwick allowance similar he London weighting allow-

ritish Caledonian, the major pendent airline, who bave r main operating hase at sick, will he the operator st affected. The airline said

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dof Mr Griffiths, of Kilcrea,

nherley, Surrey, hy magis-tes at Bracknell, Berkshire,

November 19 was a nullity.

Ar Griffiths, he said, was en-

irge. The court would make

order early in the new year, en full reasons would be

Vir Louis Blom-Cooper, QC,

yeal to the House of Lords.
Wental ourses had claimed
it Mr Griffiths's conviction

prived them of the protection y had under the Mental alth Act, 1959, which provi-

I that criminal proceedings ild not be brought against im without leave of a High

Mr Griffiths, at the magis-les' hearing, denied the pat-r's allegation that he struck

o twice in the presence of his itors and claimed that he

ly put out his arm to stop 2 panent leaving with the

Mr Harry Woolf, for the De-

rtment of Health and Social curity, told the High Court

ort judge.

on those services should check in at Gatwick at the normal

Short-haul services from Gat-wick to Glasgow, Edinburgh, Manchester, Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam and Rotterdam will be cancelled during the strike. Charter flights will operate, as will British Caledonian ser-vices out of provincial aircorts

vices out of provincial airports such as Glasgow and Newcastle to points other than Gatwick. Passengers who would bave used British Caledonian short-baul services have all heen booked on other airlines, most of them on British Airways. Those who are not notified by the airline were asked yester-day to telephone Crawley 27890

If the stoppage should be averted, British Caledonian will st affected. The airline said operate long-haul flights into terday that they had anged for all their long-ance flights to be operated

for information.

'House for £1' deal must stand. judge says

Mrs Noelle Anne Mann, who sold her £45,000 house to her hushand for £1 during a dispute, was told by a High Court judge yesterday that the transaction

yesterday that the transaction must stand.

Mr Justice Griffiths rejected the claim by Mrs Mann, aged 35, of Regent's Park, that her judgment hod heen affected by her emotional distress over the hreak-up of her marriage. Mrs Mano was ordered m pay the costs of the 10-day hearing, estimated at more than £10,000.

The judge pointed out that if The judge pointed out that if the couple started divorce pro-

the couple started divorce pro-ceedings, his decision in the case would not prevent the divorce judgs from making an order dealing with the house as he thought fair at the time. "Some may think that Mr Mann has been less than charit-able to his wife in not allowing her to change her mind on the her to change her mind on the transaction", the judge said, but it was not his function to pass

judgment on that. Was it an unfair bargain? "Here is a rich woman breaking up a nine-year marriage against the wish of ber husband. She bought the bouse for £15,000, in which they spent their married life.

"Her assets, apart from the bouse, are now worth over £200,000. He spent all his income and some of his capital main-taioing the standard of living to which she was accustomed.

"He needs the house to carry on his business and does no on his business and does not have enough capital m huy a similar hnuse of his own. Under the circumstances, did it seem so unfair asking that the wife should give the housa to her husband? I think not."

When, in 1964, they bought the bouse, in Lonsdale Square, Islington, she wanted it to be in their joint names and be wanted it to be in his wife's name. The

it to be in his wife's name. The money came from Mrs Mann's trust fund.

"In love as they were at that time", the judge said, "I don't think it mattered one iota to

either of them who owned that house or in whose name it was. It was their home." The housa had been put in Mrs Mann's

The judge was satisfied that in December, 1972, when Mrs Mann signed over the house to her busband, there had been much discussion about their financial affairs,

Tha judge disagreed that Mrs Mann's actions were those of a woman unable to think straight. and was satisfied that when Mr Mann explained that he had spent all his money on the mar-riage, sha agreed to give him the house. They must also bave discussed the husband's not

bringing a divorce petition on the ground of adultery.

After the dispute Mrs Mann had told friends that she had sold the bouse for £1 to bumiliate ber husband and show him

Last day for the recording angel of Westminster

Ir Elvet Griffiths, aged 54, neotal nurse, won ao action the High Court yesterday inst bis conviction of assault s private summous by a lent in Broadmoor, a conord Widgery, the Lord Chief

the shorthand writer since 1951, and has been recording Parliament verhatim for mora than 50 years, nften having to scribble almost as fast as the Recording Angel on a had day.

a peer by his peers, before that aristocratic right was extin-guished, with a cast of thousands ed to an order quashing his rection and setting aside his steoce, a conditional disand processions of robed peers and judges into Westminster Hall, like a production of Iolanthe by Cecil B. de Mille. The peer on trial was Lord de Clifford, for some micor mutorthe patient, said he would ing offence, for which be was asking the court for leave to

acquirted without having to state his defence.

When you ask Mr Kennedy how fast he could take notes in he replies: "As

how fast he could take notes in his prime, he replies: "As quick as anybody speaks; fast eoough." This can mean more than 200 words a minute.

Mr Keonedy's mystery derives from a long and curious past, going hack to the Gurney family. Thomas, the founding father, who died in 1770, inveoted Brachygraphy, a system so simple that its principles could he written on one side of a postcard.

Erodie Gurney, was appointed the official shorthand writer in the Houses of Parliament in



Mr Alan Kennedy: Up to 200 words a minute.

The fastest pencil in Westmio-ster laid down his notehook yesterday, when the Houses rose, and will retire from his official post of shorthand writer to the Houses of Parliament at the end

of the year. Mr Alan Kennedy has been

He reported the last trial of

postcard. Thomas's grandson, William the Houses of Parliament in 1813, the first such sppointment in 18



the senior partner of the firm of W. B. Gurney and Sons as their shorthand writer.

Gurney's men, who now use Pitmao's, record the work of Select Committees and Private Bill Committees in both Houses, and the House of Lords in its judicial capacity.

The retiring shorthand writer says: "It has been hard work, but always fascinating." He will retire to the country to grow wesembles. their shorthand writer.

French nuclear tests French Minister of Defence and by the French Foreign Minister at the United Nations. Australia had indicated what From Sue Masterman The Hague, Dec 20 The World Court has decided, the World Court has decided, by nine voies to six, to drop the cases hrought hy Australia and New Zealand against France. Thesa asked the court to rule against France's atmospheric nuclear test programmes in the South Pacific. Australia had indicated what was necessary to settle the dispute and, in the eyes of the court, the French had complied with those conditions. The dispute therefore no longer existed. It was not the court's duty, the president said, to consider what might happen if France did not keep its word. The six who voted against the decision, Judges Onyeama, Dillard, Jimenez de Arechaga, Waldock, de Castro and Sir Garfield Barwick, contended that the object of Australia's application was to notain a decision on the validity of atmospheric nuclear testing by France. Since they disagreed with the

France has not appeared in court to defend itself since Australia lodged its application for proceedings in 1973, and has refused to recognize the court's jurisdiction in this casa.

The court's president, Pro-fessor Manfred Lachs, stated that the object of Australia's application was to notein the ending of the tests. Since the French Government had com-mitted itself in a series of state-ments this summer and sutterments this summer and autumn to switch from atmospheric to underground testing, the object bad been achieved and the dispute hetweeo Australia and France had ceased to exist.

Since the court could only exercise jurisdiction in cases of disputes between states, and since the dispute had ceased to exist, proceeding with the case would he fruitless. "The court has found that the claims of Australia and New Zealand no looger have any object and that the court is therefore not called any of the court is the c upoo to give a decision therenf."

In June this year, Professor Lachs recalled, the French Government had stated, hefora commencing its most recent series of tests, that in the normal course of events this series would be the last and France would be at a point in its technical development where its technical development where it could change to underground testing. The Australian and New Zealand Governments reacted by saying that they did not con-sider this statement sufficient assurance that atmospheric tests would not be continued at some time in the future.

The court, however, found that the French President's statement nn July 25 during a press conference on the dis-continuing of atmospheric testing had amounted to an under-taking to the international community. This was further confirmed in statements by the

very honourable

Paris, Dec 20.—This year's champagne will be very bonourable hut it will be

lion bottles) fell below that in 1973 of 1,570,000 bectolitres and the record 1,650,000 becto-

As the price paid for grapes by champagne manufacturers this year was the same as in

the previous year, champague prices should be stabilized. Sales fell by an estimated 25

declared

litres in 1970.

concerns on the constitutional side are to abolish appeals to the Privy Council from the Supreme Courts of the states, 1974 champagne | Sir Con joins pro-EEC referendum team By Our Diplomatic Correspon-

Since they disagreed with the interpretation of Australia's objective, they considered the grounds on which the present judgment was based, invalid. They also found that Australia had a case which the court was competent to judge, and that the case should have been continued.

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: Mr Whitlam, the Australian Prime Minister, last night expressed his satisfaction with the ourcome of the Austra-

lian campaign against French atmospheric ouclear tests.

atmospheric ouclear tests.

In a statement, Mr Whitlam said that the effect of the majority decision of the court was that Australia's objective had, in effect, been accomplished, inasunch as the court had found that by its public statements. Econoc had and contents the court had found that the court had supposed the court had supposed

statements. France had nnder

taken not to hold further nu-

clear tests in the atmosphere in

the South Pacific. The court was

not therefore called upon to

give a decision.

But it had also indicated that if the basis of its judgment were to affect Australia in the future, Australia could request the court to examine the situation again.

Mr Whitlam continued bis talks with Mr Wilson yester-

day, which concentrated on con-

stitutional matters, and also saw Mr Heath. Mr Whitlam's main

dent Sir Con O'Neill, who led tha

ment and the British section of the European League for Economic Cooperation.
Sir Con, who was previously chairman of the intervention

board for produce, a post which he relinquished last month, will "help to plan the work of all the organizations, groups and parties who are to 35 per cent this year, the organization said.—Agence France-Presse. willing to take part in the campaign for Britain's continued membership.".

Spanish fascists accuse Premier of being 'soft' of Madrid unveiled a plaque,

From Harry Debelius Madrid, Dec 20

A few hundred fascists turned out in Madrid today on the first anniversary of the assassination of Admiral Carassassination of Admiral Car-rero Blanco by Basque extrem-ists to insult his successor as Prime Minister, Senor Arias Navarro, for being "soft" on enemies of the regime.

The demonstrators also straggled by the French Embassy, pausing to shout "sons of whores" at French diplomats and to scream for the extradition of Basque political refugees now in France. The Falangist group, made up of some youths and a considerable number of old men—some wearing the Iron Cross and other medals—also shouted slogans ahusing the liheral Archbishop of Madrid, Cardinal Enrique y Tarancón.
Fewer than 500 persons
gathared this morning for the
first event commemorating the anniversary. It was at the place where Admiral Carrero Blanco's big hlack Dodge was blasted six storeys into the air. The Mayor

the crowd sang the Falange anthem, "Face to the Sun".

After the ceremony, some of the crowd marched through Madrid to the French Embassy, and then to a church where leading memhers of the regime attending a Requiem Mass for the Admiral. Princa Juan Carlos, General Franco's designated successor, and Senor Arias Navarrn were among

those present.
Outside the church, about 100 of the four hundred or so spec-tators shouted "Arias mantequilla " (Arias soft as hutter) and a few tried to breach the police cordon in an apparent attempt to damage the Prince's car while he was inside the chnrcb.

The police contained them little effort. Another ful of demonstrators with handful shouted insults against the Prince The majority of the spectators jost stood watched. and



President Giscard is introduced to children of the Elysée staff by a member dressed to resemble a popular French television puppet.

Israelis astonished by Dayan revelation

From Moshe Brilliant
Tel Aviv, Dec 20
A disclosure by Mr Dayan, the former Defence Minister, that the United States had threatened to supply the encircled Egyptian Third Army by belicopter if the Israelis maintained their seige during the October their seige during the October war was a political bombshell bere. But responsible Israelis said

they did not expect it to affect relations with the United States. relations with the United States.

A senior Foreign Ministry official said the public had been fully aware that the United States and the Soviet Union had combined to prevent Israel from finishing the war in all ont victory and the additional detail did not change the picture.

"There was a tough debate bonourable "hux it will be three or four years before wine growers decide whether 1974 deserves to e a vintage year, the association os champagne growers and merchants said today.

The Comite Interprofession nel du Vin de Champagne said that the 1974 production of 1,273,136 hectolitres (155 million boutles) fell below that in ment and the British section of the ment and the British section of the ment and the British section of the public had the public had the Unitations for entry to the EEC, thilly aware that the Unitations for entry to the EEC, the profession of the campaign in the expected referendum next to halp to direct the profession in the negonitations for entry to the EEC, the profession of the campaign in the expected referendum next to halp to direct the profession of the compagne said that the Unitations for entry to the EEC, the profession of the compagne and the Soviet Union combined to prevent Israel from the combined to prevent Israel from the combined to prevent Israel from the profession of the combined to prevent Israel from the expected referendum next to the profession of the combined to prevent Israel from the expected referendum next to the profession of the combined to prevent Israel from the expected referendum next to the profession of the combined to prevent Israel from the expected referendum next to the profession of the combined to prevent Israel from the expected referendum next to the profession of the profession "There was a tough debste

had no choice. Grave problems faced us and required full cooperation with the Americans.

There is no point in making an issue of it today." Parliamentary opposition circles said official relations between Jerusalem and Washington will not be affected by the disclosure but there may be

repercussions in the Jewish lobby in the United States. lobby in the United States.

Mr Dayan's revelation surprised some of the hest-informed Israelis. General Haim Herzog, former chief of military intelligence and a prominent analyst acknowledged today he was surprised. "I understood Kissinger

had said: 'If you don't do it there will be nothing to stop the Russians from taking supplies through'."

Mr Shmuel Tamir, an opposi-tion member of the parliamen-tary foreign affairs and security committee, asid that to the best of his recollection the commutee had never been informed. The disclosure proved once again that the Soviet Union, without the approval of the United States, could not get Israelis to budge.

Another committee member said the committee had been informed at the time that Dr Kissinger had asked the Israelis what they would do if food was supplied to the encircled army. He had not spelt ont whether the Russians or the Americans

The sources said he tended to believe the original version and not Mr Dayan's. He said the former Defence Minister and officials who confirmed his statement were trying to create an alibi for their failure to stand

np to the Americans.

Mr Dayan made his statement to members of the faculty of Bar Ilan University last night. He had intended delivering it in a public address but was prevented from appearing before the students by a demonstration of pareots of war casualties who hlamed the former Defence Minister for the inadequate preparation for war.

Ethiopia to adopt a policy of socialism

Addis Ahaha, Dec 20.— Ethiopia's ruling military council today announced a policy of "Ethiopian socialism" based on social and economic equality. In a major policy statement read over the radio exactly 100 days after they deposed Emperor Haile Selassie, the country's military rulers said they would raconstruct the country in line with the mntto "Ethiopia first". The statement declared:
"Ethiopia first means Ethiopian

socialism. Socialism means equality, the right to guide one's own destiny, the right to work and earn." The exploitation of man-power would be hanned and the structure of the future govern-ment would be based on the

right of the people to administer themselves.
On foreign policy, the statement said that Ethiopia was determined to maintain good relations with Sudan, Kenya and Somalia—with which Addis Ahaba has heeo at odds for years over the disputed Ogeden area. This has heen described by the Somali Govarnmant in Mondishu as Somali consideration. ster themselves. Mogadishu as "Somali terrimry Mogadishu as "Somali terrimry under Ethiopian colonizatioo".
Ties with neighbouring Kenya were strained after Presidaot Kenyatta last September urged the military council in Addis Ababa to refrain from dealiog harshly with the deposed Emperor.

In another development, the military convoleted preparations

military completed preparations for a huge Chinese-style mass rally tomorrow to mark the official opening of the country's rural development campaign. This provides for 60.000 students and teachers to go into the countryside to explain the aims of the military couocil and instruct the rural popula-tion on such subjects as hasic health care and improved farm-

ing methods.

The council has described land reform as its main pre-occupation and said intensive studies were under way for a new system.—Reuter.

Moro Cabinet narrowly escapes defeat From Our Own Correspondent

Rome, Dec 20 Signor Moro's new government, which was put together painfully after the longest post-war crisis, last night escaped defeat in the Chamber of Deputies by one vote.

The debate was on the hudget estimates and the Government

meot would have heen seriously embarrassed to he outvoted. It is estimated that 10 members of the government parties voted against the coali-

The holidays will now help matters, but the vote was no cheering augury for an admit-tedly weak administration.

20 die as train goes off rails

Bamako, Mali, Dec 20.—
Twenty people were killed and some 180 injured, many seriously, when a passenger train approaching Bamako crashed off the rails yesterday Observers said the brakes had apparently failed and the train was travelling too quickly to oegotiate the last hend before the station.—Reuter.

British envoy in Hanoi to be withdrawn

By Our Diplomatic

Britain has decided m withdraw its ambassador from Hanoi, Mr John Fawcett, becausa the North Vietnamese Government has refused to accept his credentials. He will be replaced by a Charge d'Affaires, Mr John Stewart.

North Viamam objects to the fact that Britaio has refused to recognize the Provisional Revolucional Company.

lutionary Government of South Vietnam, the political wing of the Vietcong.

It was agreed last year to exchange ambassadors, al-though Hanoi has not sent one here. Britain recognizes the governments of North and South Viatoam and does not intend to recognize a third one, it was stated in London yester-day.

House passes Soviet trade Bills in spite of Moscow From Frank Vogl U.S. Economics Correspondent not have the authority to grant loans or credit guarantees to American-Soviet deals for more

Washington, Dec 20 The House of Representatives thao \$75m a year.

today passed the Trade Reform Bill by a vote of 323 to 36. The Secate is expected to vote in favour of the hill later today as the final act of the 93rd con-Late last night the Senate

voted 71 to 24 in favour of a Bill extending the life of the Export-Import Bank by four

This Bill and the trade Bill will together he of great importance in determining the scale and manner of American-Soviet trade expansioo in coming years. Many experts and Government of this trade will he a major influance on the future of deteote. The Soviet leadership has

made it clear in the last twn days that it is highly dissertisfied with both Bills. Angry protests have been made by Mr Dohryoin, the Soviet Ambassador, to the State Department, over certain clauses in the Export-Import Bank Bill.

deals to \$300m (£130m) over the of these important pieces of next four years. The haok does legislation.

The Trade Bill gives the

Presideot the authority to grant most favoured nation trade status to the Soviet Union and ampowers the Export-Import Bank to make loans to American Soviet trade deals. Authoriza-tion for both of these trade coo-cessions, however, depends on the President heing ahle to assure Congress that oo impedi-ments will he placed in the way of people wishing to emigrate from the Soviet Union.

The strong attack made on this clause by Soviet leaders in Wednesday, through Tass, coupled with the protests late yesterday over the Export-Import Bank hill, make it difficult now to assess the future of trade hetween the super-powers. Fore-casting what will happen to dérente has also now hecome much more difficult. The Trade Bill has taken

more than 20 months to get through Congress, while the Ex-The Bill, which oow awaits aigning by President Ford, limits the volume of all credits granted by the Bank to America. port-Import Bank's situation ha

French deputies file suit against abortion law

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Dec 20

The National Assembly, by 277 votes against 192, today passed a Bill liberalizing the law on abortion. A group of 78 members led by M Jean Foyer. a former Gaullist Minister of Luctical immediately afterwards. Justice, immediately afterwards filed a suit with the Constitutional Council oo the ground that the new law is unconstitutional.

M Foyer said in the lobbies that the text passed by Parlia-ment was "inadmissible in my

eyes hecause it coosecrates the right to kill". It was therefore concrary to article 2 of the European Convention on Human Rights which guarantees the M Foyer recalled that he had

told the Parliamentary Congress lo Versailles in October that if the Government tried to not a n Opposition to ensure the race age of the Bill, I would challeage the convictions of he majority of the members of its own majority.

ing the Home Office to issue and a labour force should be set

rasure alone would not he suf-ient to prevent many small tels from closing.

Mr Clive Derby the assession Mr Clive Derby, the associalo at least оне case, after n's chief executive, said that many people the cost of local government boundary plementing fire precautions changes s hotelier had been boundary quired by the Act could be slast straw."

The accordance of the last straw of the la the association was absolutely officer did not satisfy the de-

itate cash plea to make hotels safe Tim Jones
diundreds of small hotels will be to close uoless government lp is forthenming to subsidize rost of implementing the itish Hotels. Restaurants and terers' Association has said. Hoteliers were given some ief this week when Mr Gillert, Financial Secretary to the easury moved an amendment the Finance Bill allowing am to offset expenditure on e safery measures against tax. But the association says that up to carry out recommended

work. The Loodon Fire Brigade ssid that since the Act came into force three years ago they had received applications for fire certificates from about 1,500 hotels and hoarding houses. So far only 250 had could not expect to play a full been issued.

S Africa advised to stay in UN did not rapresent the whole of

From Peter Strafford New York, Dec 20

South Africa was given a warning at the United Nations today that it would suffer if it decided to withdraw from the organization as a result of developments this autumn. It was pointed nut that Indone had once decided to withdraw hut had found out that no country could live outside the

international community.

The warning was given hy
Mr Ahdelaziz Bouteflika, the
Algerian Foreign Minister, who has been president of this year's General Assembly and one of tes most active figures. He sug-gested that instead of making threats of withdrawal, South Africa should see recent moves in New York as an invitation to

He did not want South Africa m leave the United Nations because the organization aimed to be universal in its membership. There would always be a seat for South role so long as its government since 1970.

cisms of his own actions. He emphasized that the various conemphasized that the various con-troversial things he had done had been at the hahest of the Assembly majority, which has always supported him.

The main result of the session had heen the emergence of the Third World. These countries had their own contradictions and difficulties; hut they had heep frustrated for a long time and now wanted to make them-salves heard and respected. Chaoges were inevitable and they wanted to make their coorributico.

One of the points on which Mr Bouteflika has been criti-cized is his roling that South Africa could not take part in this year's assembly after its delegation's letters of credeoca had been rejected. This ruling ran counter to the line that bad heen taken by his predecessors

Mr Bouteflika made several its people.

Mr Bouteflika's remarks were made at a press conference, io which he assessed the results of this year's Assembly session and defeoded himself against criticisms of his own actions. He emphasized that the warious contacularly. The aim was to bring South Africa ioto the process. Revolution was not desirable, but evolution was

Mr Bouteflika suggested that in vetoing South Africa's expul-sion, the British, Freoch and Americans were acting in accordance with commercial interests including the sale of ioterests, including the sale of arms, rather than the interests of their own peoples. The outgoing assembly presi-

deot also was askad today why he had given Mr Yassir Arafat the leader of the Palestice Liberation Organization, treat-ment normally reserved for heads o fstate, including the use of a large leather chair. He replied that he was simply actiog out of courtesy to a guest of the United Nations, of accordance with the wishes of the 105 countries which had invited the PLO.

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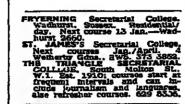
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Mr Rockefeller takes the oath of office administered by Chief Justice Warren Burger.

Rockefeller optimism about future

From Fred Emery
Washington, Dec 20
Vice-Presidant Rockefeller,
sworn in late last night, today
hriefly performed his one conatitutionally stipuleted function
of presiding over tha Senate.
He then flew to his couotry
home in New York State. The
Vice-President, by executive Vice-President, by executive order is deputy chairman of the President's Domestic Council, a Cabinet-level coordinating body. He is expected to focus

In the Senate chamber the simple ceremony was enlivened by Mr Rockefeller's irrepresture the country faced "tremendous"

sinle gaiety. He hlew kisses to his family, waved and shook hands all round. He even hriefly took the gavel and assumed the presiding function with a wisecrack.

In his speech, following administration of the oath by Chief Justice Warren Burger, Mr Rockefeller thanked everyone. He included the Presi-

Mr Rockefeller thanked everyone. He included the President who selected him, Mrs
Ford and his own wife.
He mentioned members of
the Senate and House who
had undergone four gruelling
months of confirmation hearings, those civil servants who
had helbed in investigating bad helped in investigating him, and even the "vigilant press" and all the citizens who wrote in about him. It was the first time pro-

his activities here as well as on special Presidential missions ceedings in the Senate chamber, as distinct from the House of Representatives, had

The military economies, reducing expenditure from 9.1 per cent to 8.4 per cent of tha total hudget of 208,300m roubles (about £90,560m), were seen as a sign of the Kremlin's confidence in détente, although other areas of the budget, especially science, are thought difficulties and unprecedented problems, hoth at home and abroad". But with characteris-tic optimism he declared: "There is nothing wrong with America that Americans can-not right". He pledged himself "to the fullest limit of my capacity" to work with the President and Congress in rebuilding American strength.

In spite of the many precedents for vice-presidential frustration, tha prevailing view here is that this time it is going to be different. Both men are unelected. Mr Ford has selected Mr Rockefeller to lend him his experience and

Mr Rockefeller has had so much more experience in run-ning things than any other politician in America that it is assumed here he cannot hut help the belaboured Ford Administration at a critical

Power sharing examined by communist parties

Cut in Soviet military

confidence in détente

Moscow, Dec 20.—Delegates to contain military allocations to the Supreme Soviet today wound up a three-day winter when in ment in ment

ment in machine building an

Siberian natural gas.
Production of goods for heav

industry was destined to ris

by 7 per cent in 1975, whi consumer products would i crease by only 6 per cent-reversal of priorities laid dow

in 1971, when the overall fiv

year plan was formulated. N Nikolai Baibakov, the sta planning chairman, hlame construction delays and unever

factory performance for the need to switch priorities heavy industry.

The Government and Col-

munist Party suggestions we: adopted unanimously and wi

no open debate, although the Supreme Sovier's standing cor

gas refining installations exploit the vast reserves

spending seen as

session with unanimous approval of a 1975 plan and budget

slightly reducing military spending. Proposals voted into law today by the 1,500 deputies to the two-chamber legislative assembly also call for an all-out

effort next year to bring the present five-year plan to a

The two chambers met in

joint session in the Grand Kremlin Palece this morning et

the second of the regular twiceyearly sittings; hut the meeting broke up without hearing en

expected speech on the past year's foreign policy from either Mr Leonid Brezhnev, the

Communist Perty leader, or Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Foreign

Minister.

successful conclusion.

eight Communist Parties from East and West Europe were near agreement today on issues to be tackled et a conference of party leaders in East Berlin next year.

The need to seek cooperation with Social Democrats and other reformist groups was a theme mentioned by nearly all speakers et the preparatory maeting, close sources said. The meeting here is likely to be the first of two preparatory sessions before the conference itself, due in the first half of

1975, shortly after the Euro-pean security conference ends. Dr Aleksandr Grlickov, Yngoslav party secretary, called for an end to block divisions within Ешгоре.

Mr Boris Ponomarev, the Soviet party's Central Com-mittee secretary in charge of relations with foreign parties in the West, backed the idea of

and socialists, the sources said This theme is of centric importance to the Italian Spanish and other parties where based their hopes of shaing power on collaboration with the source of the state of the stat other social groups, includin Catholics, traditionally regards as class enemies by more orth

dox and sectarian parties. No mention was made of suc controversial issues as Chin and the Soviet Union's long terr aim of a world conference oparties. The meeting was reported to be sticking to th procedure agreed earlier Warsaw of reaching decisions l consensus rather than majoris

Only the Albanian, Dutch an Icelandic parties are not repr sented here, though all thre were invited. A short con munique will be drafte tomorrow, it is expected.-

Defendants, judge and lawyers feel the strain after three long months of giving and hearing evidence Watergate trial reaches its climax

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Dec 20

That moment of climax in every courtroom melodrama when the prosecutor rises in his wrath and delivers his final address, denouncing the male-fectors in the dock, has at last been reeched in the Wetergate trial. After three months of evidence, sometimes dramatic and sometimes boring, the five defendants' freedom now turns on their lawyers' ability to stave off the flood of prosecutorial

off the flood of plant cloquence.

They will have a hard time.
Mr James Neal, who leads for the Government, started haranguing the jury yesterday afternoon, with a broad Tennes-see drawl, marshalling the cvidence and driving home its significance with devastating

Mr John Mischell, a former Attorney-General, Mr H. R. Haldeman and Mr John Ehrlichman, formerly Mr Nixon's closest advisers, Mr Robert Mardian, formerly assistant Attorney General, and Mr Kenneth Parkinson, once a lawyer for the Committee to Reelect the President, are charged with conspiracy to obstruct justice. Most of them are also charged with a number of counts of perjury, lying to

the FBI and so on.

"This is a plain, old-fashioned issue of right and wrong", Mr Neal told the jury. The very people sworn into highest office to enforce the law had obstructed justice.

He referred frequently to the high offices held by the defendants and by the absent unindicted co-conspirator, Mr Richard

Nixon. "On June 23" he said, "one of the saddest chapters in the 200-year long and glorious history of the United States, defendant Haldeman bad a conversation with the then President of the United States."

Mr Neal gave a virtuoso per-formance reading from the transcript of that famous tape, which finally forced Mr Nixon to resign. He would read out a passage, and interject, in tones of the utmost astonishment and sadness, the remark "Can you imagine? Tha President?"

He was taking the jury through the various steps of the cover-up, but moving much more briskly than he did when he presented the outline of the case at the opening of tha trial. He knows the details, knows who all the members of the large cast of characters are, can remember the salient points of the

The trial has brought out many details of the conspiracy which were not known before. The Presidential tapes have been heard in public for the first time, though admittedly the public consisted of a handful of raporters and spectators. There is now a good chance that the trial tapes will be broadcast, and even thet recordings of them

will he put on sale. The strain is telling on everyone. The defendants, particu-larly Mr Mitchell, look increasingly haggard. Mr Haldeman's eyes oow glare halefully from deep pits of fatigue, Mr Ehrlichhas lost a great deal of weight, Judge Sirica is tiring when the and Mr John Wilson, Mr Halde produced.

Outcry over MPs' pay rise

man's septuagenarian lawyer, has given up ohjecting. His colleagues still pop up and down, protesting at what they consider the judge's un-fairness. Once or twice recently

lawyers and judge were shouting et each other out of exasperation and accumulated irritation. They will have two days off for Christmas, and then the jury will begin to consider its ver-dict. "I have this great, beautiful Tennessee ham", Mr Neal said while talking of Christmas to reporters in the corridor. "You're_the_biggest

Tennessee ham, Jim", interjec-ted Mr Frates, the lawyer for Mr Erlichman, passing down the corridor. occasions when Mr Neal left at a loss for words. He has dominated the trial completely

so far, demolishing the two defendants whom be crossexamined, Mr Mitchell and Mr Haldeman. Again and again, hy presecting them with their own words on another occasion, he has redoced them to the litany, "I don't recall", which marked the Ervin hearings.

Behind everything, of course, is the shadow of Mr Nixon. This is the evidence which would have been heard if he had stayed to face trial in the Senate. No wonder that the judiciary committee of the House of Representatives, which heard only part of it, voted to impeach him, and that those who voted against impeachment, later tried to change their vote when the last transcript was

ever, it still is uncertain when

The New Damocratic Party, with 16 seats in the 264-seat House, announced that it would continue to oppose the Bill. Mr

Ed Broadbent, for the NDP, said that in the long run the changes proposed by Mr Sharp would increase MPs' remuneration more ateeply than would otherwise he the case.

The original Bill appeared

headed for almost certain early passage until vigilant NDP

members caught the Govern-meot capping on Tuesday and forced an adjournment of the

House for the day on a quorum count. This upset the Govern-ment's timetable and ruined all

chance of the measure being

passed before the Christmas

The delay on the salaries Bill

was the second parliamentary setback in a day for the Trudeau Government. Just previously,

over the opposition of the Liberal leadership, the House

voted to launch an investiga-

tion through one of its commit-

sometimes hribe parliamentary reporters to write stories about

tees into allegations that MPs

them. A number of hankbench

Liberals sided with tha three

that atage will be reached.

Emigration of Soviet Jews decreases From Our Correspondent

Geneva, Dec 20
The number of Soviet Jews who emigrated this year is down by almost 40 per cent on the 1973 total. According to the Ioter-governmental Committee for European Migration.
An official said today that the

estimated total for this year was between 20,000 and 21,000, of whom 3,000 to 4,000 went to destinations other than Israel. The 1973 figure was close to 35,000, including some 3,000 who did not go to Israel.

He pointed out that only 561 Jews had left the Soviet Union from December 1 to 18.

Bumper rice crops for Japan and Burma

Tokyo, Dec 20.—Japan's rice crop this year totalled 12.292,000 tonnes, an increase of 143,000 tonnes over 1973, the Agriculture and Forestry Ministry announced todey. It added that the 1974 crop—at about half a ton for 10 acres—was the biggest since Japan started rice production adjustment in 1971. In Rangoon, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forests said that Burma was expected to harvest nearly 14 million tonnes of rice next year despite un-precedented floods during the monsoon.

This would represent a very exceptional harvest. In 1972 1973, rice production reached 7,200,000 tonnes and last year 8,480,000 tonnes.—Reuter and Agence France-Pressa.

Indian MPs call for inquiry From Michael Hornsby

Delhi, Dec 20

The entire Opposition walked out of the Lower Chamber of the Indian Parliament today in protest against tha Govarnment's refusal to act up a par liamentary committee to inquire into allegations of corruption against Congress Party MPs. The Opposition parties had

demanded the establishment of a committee of inquiry after being allowed to peruse a report by the Central Bureau of Investigation on the alleged acceptance by Government MPs of hribes in return for recommending the issue of import licences.

Opposition leaders claimed, among other things, that the CBI report clearly implicated Mr L. N. Mishra, the former Minister of Foreigo Trade, who now holds the Railways port-Opposition parties in the vote. folio.

Bushfires hit Australia

Perth. Dec 20.—A state c emergency was declared toda in the southern balf of Wester Australia as bushfires blazi out of control in many areas heatwave conditions.

At least eight fires stretchi across the far west of Ne South Wales from the Victor to Queensland borders also we out of control. They were es mated to have hurned out mo than 2,500,000 acres of grazi. and bush land in New Sou Wales alone.

Ban is lifted

Johannesburg, Dec 20.—l Cosmas Desmond, a baoned fi mer Roman Catholic pri under house arrest near John nesburg, has been granted temporary passport to visit I parents in Britain.

Plane was shot down

Ottawa, Dec 20.-A Canadi military aircraft on a Unit Nations peacekeeping flight il crashed in Syria last Aug with the loss of nine lives v shot down by Soviet surface air missiles the Caoadi Defence Ministry and the Unit Nations said in separate repor

Kidnap victim shot

Buenos Aires, Dec 20.-15 16-year-old son of an Argent sweet manufacturer who vikidnapped here on Novemi 28 has been found shot de police announced here.

Supreme Court appeal New York, Dec 20.—1 announced that it would app to the Supreme Court again court decisions requiring rac integration of Boston school

33 die in crash Sterkstroom, South Afri

Dec 20.—Thirty-three Afrit rsilway workers were killed a 26 seriously injured when lorry owned by the railway overturned near here tod police reported.

Jail in Agnew case Washington, Dec 20.-Euge

Hsi, a third Baltimore mau co victed of hribing Mr Sp Agnew, the former Vice-Pre dent, was today sentenced six months imprisonment. I federal judge said only "unique aituation" had ki Mr Agnew himself out of pris (the deal negotiated where

four men as they were leaving the shop. One of the raiders was wounded by a hullet in an exchange of shots and another by flying glass.

The two injured and another memher of the gang fled back into the shop. The fourth was arrested while trying to escape to a car.

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by telephone and hearing entreaties of two policen who served as negotiators

Police free 50 hostages in supermarket Minneapolis, Minnesota, Dec

can Indians who took 50 people hostage in a supermarkat after unsuccessful rohbery

registers and held customers at bay. But one employee slipped ont and alerted tha police. The police intercepted the

to a car. Police sharpshooters kept the three men in sight hut did not fire for fear of hitting one of the hostages. At one point a

ceived a get-away car. They surrendered af speaking to Mr Wendell And

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Chinese solve problem that **baffled Russians** From David Bonavia

Peking, Dac 20

Chinesa workers and technicians hava solved problems which baffled Soviet experts in the construction of the huge dam at the Sanmen gorges on the Yellow River, it is asserted in official reports published in Peking today.

The press and radio broad-casts stated: "The superstitious belief in 'foreigners and experts' has been smashed." Although some problems remained, the main one of silting et the dam-which was started with Soviet assistance in 1957had been solved.

· Soviet technicians were withdrawn in 1960 from the Sanmen project, which was planned to hava a capacity of one million kilowatts. Chinese experts have been

working ever since to solve problems silting threatened to destroy by flood-ing the ancient city of Sian. People who heard the news of the project's success on the radio today seemed elated.

forces Ottawa re-think From Our Correspondent Ottawa, Dec 2

Faced by a wave of hostile public opinion, the Canadian Government has hacked down on a proposal to give members of Parliament a 50 per cent pay rise for Christmas.

Mr Mitchell Sharp, Government leader in the Commons, announced that because the legislation introduced last Monday had heen "misunderstood and misrepresented", the Government would agree to make

The effect would be an

immediate one-third increase for MPs from \$26,000 (£11,000) a year to \$34,600 (£15,000) a year and annual increases tied to changes in the country's industrial wage index from 1976 on. Under the Government measure introduced and given a first reading on Monday, the increase would have been to \$39,000. Part of an MP's salary is made up of a tax-free expense

allowance. Mr Sharp said the changes ha proposed could be written into the Bill when it comes up for detailed study in committee after the second reading. How-

people for the killing of Mrs Park at a National Day cere-mony. He fired pistol shots at the President, missing him but histing his wife. hitting his wife. Eyewitnesses of the execution said Mr Mun seemed unaware of his immicent death. When prison officials told him it was time to laave a will, he asked: "Am I being executed now?"
Dumbfounded and sohbing he dictated his will, prayed and then walked to the gallows.—

20.-The police today captured four armed and masked Ameri-

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man was seen holding a pistol

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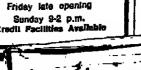
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SATURDAY REVIEW Saturday Review Christmas Quiz Lohn Percival, Michael Ratcliffe, Stanley Reynolds. David Robinson. Philippa Toomey, Ion Trewin, Irving Wardle

to be opened on January 2, The prizewinners' names and the correct answers will be published in the Saturday Review on January 4. Entries should be sent to The Saturday Review Christmas Quiz, The Times, PO Box 7, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8EZ.

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Name this famous comedian

Who are the owners of these

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Which film did this illustrate? Which with a horror of clergymen and dogs comeback

Industrial action postponed this year (a) whose obsequies (h) whose orgy?

(a) Who was the murderer in The Mousetrap? (b) What was the play on at the Ambassadors before The Mousetrap?

e Bat for its short-sightedness like a Bantam for its bragging like a Magpie for its honesty like a Peacock for its vanity; like an Ostrich for putting its head in the mud and thinking nobody sees it. Mark Tapley was the speaker, but who was he and what was the bird?

What music by Mozart did the Wombles sing?



Theatrical dames. Name the following two ladies and the plays in which they appeared.

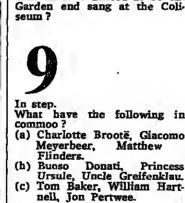




Saturday Review Christmas

Cats in billets-doux. Who was the illustrator and who was the recipient? (a, b)

Who in 1974 danced at Covent





Where did the follow-ing go to school: (a) Billy Bunter (h) Stalky (c) Jennings (d) Rochester Sneath. year in Murder on the Orient Express. Name two other actors who have played Agatha Christie's detective. (a) Which Irishman variously described himself as: English, born in Bedfordshire;

Albert Finney scored

Australian, orphaned Match the following when his parents died in a bush fire; the model for Rex Mot-tram in Evelyn horses, and who is the mount Buck ı Evelyn B*ridesh*ead Tom Mix, W. S. Hart, Roy Rogers, Ken May-nerd (h) Horses: Tony, Trigger, Silver, Revisited? (h) Which Englishman was tip-ped to become Editor of The Times, head of MIS, Tory M.P. for South Oxfordshire, but chose instead to be the Squire of Nettlehed? Tarzan,

Which



Who drew these four portraits of Lewis Carroll's Alice? (a, b, c, d) AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY O













(a) Which good time girl appeared in Sophocles this summer, and where? (h) Which Venetian gentleman once more escaped a Whitehousa cover up this year?

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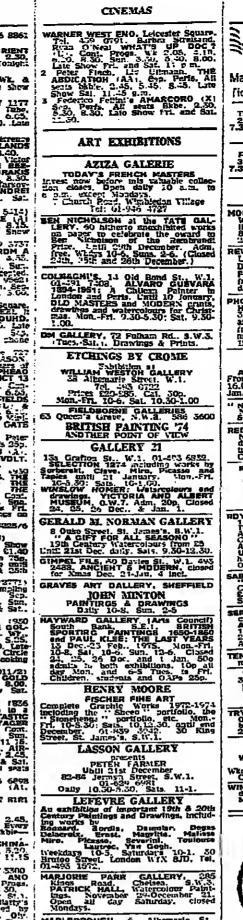
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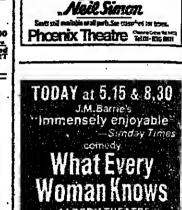
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EXHIBITIONS

TONIGHT at 3-39



Broadcasting Saturday

Routine stuff except that we see the shape of things to come in Les Dawson's Christmas Box (ITV 8.30) in which the northern comic is joined by funny Roy Barraclough, jazzy Kenny Ball and others of the Yuletide reserve. Occupy the infants with the colourful Play Away (BBC2 4.30).--L.B.

BBC 1

9.10 am, Trumpton. 9.25, Josie. 3.00 pm, Film: Boys' Town, 9.45, Film: The Marx Brothers Go West, with Groucho, Chico and Herpo.* 11.05, Film: Abbott and Costello in Society.* 12.12 pm, Weather, 12.15, Grandsrand: 12.20, Weather, 12.15, Grandstand: 12.20, Football Focus; 12.40, 1.10, 1.40, 2.05, Racing From Chepstow. 12.5a, World Cup Skiing from Soalback, Austria: 1.25, Boxing: Billy Knight at York Hall, Bethnal Grees: 1.55, Test Cricket from Australia; 2.25, The 5operstars: 3.00, Rugby, Castleford V Stelens; 3.50, Show Jumping: Duohill Championships: 4.35, Final Score, 5.05, Tom and Jerry. 5.15 News.

5.30 Disney Time. 6.15 Bruce Forsyth and the Generation Game. 7.10 Film: Doctor in Clover, with Lestie Philips, James Robertsoo Justice, Shirley Anne Field. Joho Fraser, Joan Sims, Arthur Haynes, Elisabeth Ercy.*

8.45 Petula Sings Christmas. 9.30 Kojak. 10.20 News. 10.30 Match of the Day.

11.30 Parkinson. 12.30 am, Weather. Black and white.

Granada

HTV 9.05 am. London. 10.00. Secame Street. 11.00. Orbit. 11.30. Tarzan. The Mask of Rona. 12.30 sms. London. 5.30. Gartoon. 5.30. Now Frocas. 6.30. Candid Camera. 1.00. Sais of the Century. 1.30. Kuno Fu. 8.30. London. 0.46, Film: Blow Up. with Vanessa Redgrave. David Hemmings, Sarah Miles. 11.45. No. Honestly, 12.15 am. Worther. HTV CYMRU/WALES.—M. HTV except: 1.00-1.30 pm. Blom n Stan.

Westward 9.15 am, ATV. 10.40, Skippy, 11.05, Tarzan: Life for a Life, 11.85, Gus Honeybun, 11.58, London, 5.20 pm, Carloon, 5.20. New Faces, 5.30, Gandid Camers, 1.00, Sale of the Century, 1.30, Film: Intertude, with Oskar Werner, Barbara Ferris, Donald Sotherland, Vrymiz Maskell, 9.30, ATV, 11.20, Drive-in, 11.85, Talking Pont.

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Yorkshire

BBC 2 with

Spencer Tracy, Mickey Rooney.* 4.30-4.53, Play Away. 5.45 Westmioster. 6.15 News.

6.25 Rugby: Llanelli v Bath, highlights. Lord Peter Wimsey: Murder Must Advertise, by Dorothy L. Sayers, part 1. News. Film: Sam Whiskey, with 8.45

Burt Reynolds, Angie Dickinsoo, Clint Walker, Ossie Davis. 10.20-10.50, Network: The Corries in Coocert (BBC Scotland).

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Scottish 8.40 am, Prejudes' Chopin 10.05. A0 in a Day's Work. 10.35. The Geordie Scene. 11.00, Film: Caxamba. with John Irsland. Carry Ohmari, Keith Larsen. 12.30 pm, London. 5.20, Carry 100n. 5.20, Carry 100n. 5.30, Randall and Houker's Occassed; 5.30, Scotch Cosner. 7.00, Film: The Prince Who was a Thier, with Tony Carries, Piper Laurie, Everelf Bloans. 5.30, London. 4.45, The Street of San Francisco. 10.40, Laio Call. 10.45, ATV. 11.30-12.30 am, Theatre of Stars.

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London Weekend

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5.10 News. 5.20 New Faces.

6.20 Sale of the Century.
6.50 Film: Assignment Munich, with Roy Scheider, Lesley Warreo. Les Dawson's Christmas Box.

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Radio

Backward and forward

This week I want to look back history of his own and Byroo's

Last Sunday saw the end of Michael Masoo's Plain Tales from the Raj about which there is little I can add, except to say that it maintained to the eod its fioe qualities. You might object that given material as good as Charles Alleo's interviews, it would be a real hamfist who could go wrong. Not oecessarily so: and Mr Masoo's achievement bas actually been to make the best better. By imaginative juxtapositioo and by his method of mixing loog stretches of music and effect-most of it haunting and beau-tifully restrained—he makes the words so peoetrating and rivid that they do what good radio is supposed to do: the sum becomes greater than the parts, the listeoer seems to acquire some small but real fraction of each speaker's ex-

fraction of each speaker's experience.

If this was Dr Jekyll-Mason, then I'm afraid Mr Hyde-Mason had got loose again for The Marriage of Freedom and Fate, the monster "sound poem oo themes from the life and work of Beethoveo" from which I tottered as after an uninterrupted round of 110 minutes with. round of 110 minutes with Muhammad Ali. I'm told that to advaoced music lovers it communicated oot much; as one oearer to the "ordinary music lover" whom it set out to take "a little further into the communicated of the communicated of the communicated of the communicated with the communication. poser's work", I didn't fare s great deal better. Perbaps this has something to do with the common observation that not only the circumstances of an artist's life, but his credos, philosophies, personality and even temperament—fascioning though they may be—are some-how peripheral to his work; and also that the louder you speak, the less you may be

heard. One spleodid contributor to Plain Tales was, believe it or not, Spike Milligao describing an Indian Army parade. This was the Milligan manic energy successfully compelled. In Dinosaurs however, he and John Aptrobus managed to duck John Scomey's direction almost completely. There was said to he a script and Mr Antrobus was said to have written it; you could bave fooled me. . . . On the credit side there were some attractively dotty lines and ideas, but chiefly the whole affair souoded like an illustration of the dangers of improv-

ization.

What else bas been happening? Paul Scofield in a mavellous reading of Richard Jefferies adying: The Man on the Hill produced by Keith Slade with music by David Cain had morathan a touch of the Raj and sounded in many places as if it sounded in many places as if it had been thought and written yesterday. Archie Gordon's The Heron Leaves the Tree was an

a bit and then forward-back ancestors; and of course there in an attempt to take in some has been King Lear. Here, by of the porable things I bad to set aside for more topical talk of cuts and money and radio's ofteo on stage and every time offensiveness; torward
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airy Christmas whose schedule
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cowerful from a cast of the offensiveness; forward to the so far on radio goes straight 10.20).—L.B. airy Christmas whose schedule over my left shoulder. I recogutmost distinction, but all this is rather like the judgment of a man who recognizes Chartres

to be a masterpiece because he likes the windows and other people have told him that is what it is. Looking at Christmas 1974 I am struck by the oumher of things I would actively like to listen to. Perhaps the most im-probable is an R3 piece this evening called *This House* of

Clay, heiog "an inquiry into the Christian doctrine of the Incaroatioo". Here, bowever, we have the Anthoov Phillips/Angela Tilby duo who on at least two previous occasions bave turned to doctrical inquiries which were out only comprebensible, but even enjoyable. Less formidable is another Tilby production the oext evening, The Particular Star. described as "a Christmas fantasy" and so theoretically right up radio's street. In practice this is a street with a record of more than one fatal accident; so approach with caution.

No doubt there will he som meniac who insists oo turning his living quarters upside down on Monday midnight so as to witness the second Quadraphony experiment (R3/4). I wish him joy. That afternoon (R4 solo) Geoffrey Matthews starts to read A Pickwickian Christmas: later there is Scofield again (with Fenells Fielding and Patricia Routledge) in Present Laughter with Betjeman "at bome" to follow. On the Eve itself Expedition to Bethlehem (R3) offers what may be a occessary retrest from the sellotape and wrap-ping paper; or Flanders and Swano on R4 with David Atten-Swano on R4 with David Atten-borough following if you missed him on Sunday. Should Christ-mas Day seem more than you can bear, it is possible to spend almost all of it quietly before your loudspeaker. Quietly? The Osmonds are on R1 and there is a Brooke-Taylor/Cryer/ Junkio special, Hello Christmas on R2. But on R3 you can hear Bill Naughton's delightful The Mystery and a medieval version with medieval musick of the with medieval musick of the orpheus legend, Sir Orfeo. As for R4. unless sleep supervenes, I might try Vice Versa, bot there is really no alternative here to consulting Radio Times. Which briogs us oo to Boxiog Day. Excuse me, is that one bicarbonate of soda you have there? Survivors wishing to come back to earth (with a reserviolt) may care to take in nasty jolt) may care to take in the second broadcast of The Human Prospect (R3 Fridoy), in which Robert Heilbroner

gives his particular version of things to come. And a happy

Broadcasting Sunday

Bully for the Albert Hall. Besides Family Carols (BBC1 6.50) and Peter and the Wolf (ITV 5.20) it is the setting for a marvellously spontaneous Messiah (BBC2 5.40). Basil Brush (BBC1 3.50), Cerne Abbas (BBC1 6.15) and Crown Matrimonial (ITV 8.25) are strong attractions. Those cult comics, Laurel and Hardy, get the Omnibus treatment (BBC1

BBC 1

9.05 am. Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. 9.35, Farming. 10.00, Worcester Carol. 10.30, 5ung Mass from Clif-ton Cathedral, Bristol. 11.35, Europeao Aerobatic Champlonships 12.20 pm, Show Jumping: Dunhill Championships. 1.10, News Head-lines. 1.15, Ragtime. 1.30, Star Trek. 1.55, Film: Captain Horatio Horohlower, with Gregory Peck, Virginia Mayo. 3.50, Basil Brush's Christmas Fantasy. 4.20, Alias Smith and Jones. 5.10, David Copperfield.

6.05 News. 6.15 Away in a Village. 6.50 Family Carols from the Afbert Hall. 7.25 Film: Grand Prix, with James Garner, Yves Mon-tand, Eva Marie Saint, Toshiro Mitune. 10.10 News:

10.20 Mr-Laurel and Mr Hardy in Omnibus... The Countryman Christmas. 11.55 A Story for Christmas: John Slater tells The Visitor's Book, by A. J.

Alan.

12.05 am, Weather. Regional variations: (SEC1): Aggiorni variations: (SEC):

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Pontyridd. 4.45-10, Temotrow'p
World. 8.15-8.30, Yn Offrwin Iddo Ed.
5.30-7.5. Yr Isanc Are Wyl. SCOT-LANO.—5.15-6.50 pm, Search for God.
12.07 am, Scottain News Headlines.
HORTHERH FRELAND.—12.07 am.
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Westward

Anglia S.05 am, Yoga for Beahh, 9.30, Pre-judga, 10.60, London, 11.30, Skippy, 12.00, London, 10. sm, Police Sur-geon, 1.35, Wather, 1.40, Farming, 210, Fortsul, 3.10, Gelyer Makes the Carloon, Surgeon, 10.40, London, Carloon, S. Lassie, 8.05, Landon, 10.40, Film, S. Lassie, of Evil, with Earhers Stanwyck, Roddy McDowall, 12.00, Christmes Anthology.

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9.30 am. Play Guitar. 10.00, London. 10.30, Choirs on the World: Stiver Boss Choir. Norway. 11.00, Open Day 11.30, Angling. 12.00, London. 1.10 pm. Barder Diary. 1.15. Farming. 1.46, Thriltscekars. 2.10, Football. 3.05, London. 10.40-12.00, Film: When Michael Calle, with Ben Gazzara. Michael Oouglas, Elizabeth Ashley.

Grampian 10.30 am, Angling, 11.00, Taole Tennia, 11.28, Play Gullar, 12.00, London, 1.10 key, Farming, 1.40, Scotsport, 3.10, Hoperman, 4.00, London, 6.15, Adomi, 4.00, London, 10.40, Film: The Daspectators, with Vince Edwards, Jock Prince, George Mahacis, Oylvia Syms, 12.10 am.

BBC 2 : London Weekend 5.40 Messiab from Scratch, at the Albert Hall.
6.30 News. Review.
6.50 More Ways Than Ooe: The Mistake of a Lifetime, how the ideas of Rudolf Steiner changed 8 life.
7.25 The World About Us: Tender Trap.
8.15 Denver in Colorado.
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8.16 Denver in Colorado.
8.17 LONIGOR WECKERU
9.35 am, Tomfoolery. 10.0 Christmas for Everyone. 10.3 Angling. 11.00, Opeo Day. 11.3 The Osmoods. 12.00, Weeker World. 1.10 pm. Carroons. 1.2 Joe 90. 2.00, The Big Match. 3.1 The Persuaders. 4.00, The Gold. Sbot. 4.50, Black Arrow. 5.6 Aquarius Christmas Party: Petland the Wolf.

7.25 The World About Us : Tend-Denver in Colorado. Guitar. Daniel Barenboim, with 6.05 News. English Chamber Or-chestra: Mozart, Schubert. Play: : Alpha Beta with Albert Finney, Rachel Roberts. 6.15 They Came to ao, Island.

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6.40 A Child is Born, with 5he Armstrong, Richard 5t well, 5wingle 11, Winch ter Cathedral Choir, Soi oemouth 5ymphony (chestra. 11.15 News.
11.20-11.25 Gabriel Woolf reads
The Journey of the Magi,
by T. S. Eliot. Planet of the Apes. Play : Crown Matrimor Barkworth. 9.55 No. Honestly.

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10.40 Film: Fail 5afe (195 with Henry Fonds, Wal Matthau, Dan O'Herliby. 12.40 am; King's Collection. Black and white.

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THE TIMES SATURDAY REVIEW DECEMBER 21 1974 Susan Fleetwood plays Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's Production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline, which opened at the Aldwych late Thursday Imogen in the RSC's production of Combeline Imogen in the RSC's

Aldwych last Thursday. It lias been a busy season for her, with appearances in Summerfolk, Comrodes, and the forthcoming Love's Labour's Lost. She is also recording her role as the Chorus leader in Murder in the Cathedrol for Argo. "I joined the RSC in 1967 from Liverpool, where I was a founder member of the Everyman, straight from RADA, We did everything ourselves, I think we all got £7 a week The fireman was the highest paid of the lot, he got £15, and he didn't do anything hut walk around during performances making sure that things were fireproof. I stayed there for two years, it was fontastic experience, loss and loss of leading parts. I think I was the only woman who stuck it because it was pretty tough, and one was working extraordinary hours-just working on adrenalio and emorioo. If she remembers those days

with fondness, it is hecause of the friends she made in the company, many of whom went on to join the National and the RSC "You have instant and complete contact with them, hecause you went through the bard times together". Susan Pleetwood started out

with the Theatregoround conpany in Stratford, actors who. when not working in the main house "went off to all sorts of places-gigs, that's what they were in schools, village halls, church halls with terrible echoes, three or four in the audience-you didn't know sometimes what you'd find".

Unlike a number of young speed quite a lot of time dis-guised as soldiers, priests, are obviously enormous beneactresses at Stratford who townsfolk and murderers. Susan Fleetwood feels she was lucky. "I got good parts immediately, and then I went on to London io The Relapse with Donald Sinden." She played Amanda, the dowdy wife. "I didn't have the courage then to do anything with it-such a dull little mouse. When you are acting what seems to be a boring character then one's got to be fairly resourceful to avoid heing actually boring to the audience." Then there was Criminals by José Triana, the Cuban playwright, a three-hander with Brenda Bruce and Barrie Ingham. "We were on stage practically the whole time. I loved it—wild and wonderful, though I nearly lost my thumb at one performance. There were two enormous kitchen knives that had to he kitchen knives that had to be fairly sharp, as I had to cot a piece of cloth—that particular night I had a temperature of 103, hut couldn't not go on—it would have been pretty difficult for an understudy—and the stage managet had taken the knives to be sharpened hy the knives to be sharpened by a professional sharpeoer and they were like razors—I dido't feel any pain at all on stage, I suppose it was the adrenalio-I atill have the scars.'

This was followed by Regan to Eric Porter's Lear at Strat.

But it's a pity that films seem tord. "I wasn't at all happy to be petering out. Anyway, I that season—I played Audrey in a revival, probably because the doll or the bird, which is I was the same sort of shape and fitted the costumes, and there was no time for inven-tion and fun. Lear depressed me. I get terribly affected hy the place I am in, and Lear was played in a grey box, and very long, and nobody



seemed very happy, anyway. I stayed up in Stratford, and there was a total change of mood for Pericles, with Ian Richardsou—from the grey box and grey tweed to white, and I loved it. Visually it was so exciting I really wanted to go out and see it. That season was a very happy experience."

fits from working in a com-pany, hut there are hazards in working with colleagues who your work extremely "When I am working know with mates continuously, for a very long time, if I do something outrageous, if I my something oew, people are inclined to say 'It's Sue, doing her thing', and that I find inhibiting. Working with new people. ple can give you a new lease of life. After you have been away, working with the old chums again is marvellous."

She joined the Cambridge Theatre Company, with Richard Cottrell ("a dear, dear friend") and played Nioa in The Seagull with Lila Kedrova. "My happiest times have been in Chekhov—most actors will tell you that." She also played Silvia in The Recruiting Officer with Ian McKelleo, also a close friend. "I'm always having to dress up as a boy. I have a deep voice, and if you are tall as well, ns I am, it pays dividends in Shake-speare."

Susan Fleetwood found herself enjoying enormously experience of filming The Wotercress Girl, an episode of the "Country Matters" series for television. "I'd really like to make films. I might even think of giving up the stage.

what I would do-I think it

would be something near mad-ness. I am really very grateful for being employed! If I get time off, I don't know what to do with it, and get the feeling that I am never going to work again. I read plays (I don' read hooks, much! and I am a terribly slow reader, I have an eye condition which makes reading a tremendous effort-and I go slowly through everything, acting it as I go along, and if I don't understand it, I go back and back again.

"I do have amazing energy, but it has been raxed over Strindberg's Comrades—it's so absolutely mad, the most raw emotions. I have found it the most naked-making form o acting, and it has been sbarrer ing to work on, I found myself having to think of how much one was having to disclose of one's own identity, one's very personal thoughts. The nerve endings are exposed and quivering. I have even found it very difficult to learn the lioes, which has never heeo a problem with me—difficult. I problem with me-difficult, I think, hecause of the content of the piece." Playing in Summerfolk, she has found herself in tears over the sadness in-herent both in the play and the pathetic, tragl-comic part In the New Year the goes

with the RSC to America for a tour with Summerfolk and Love's Labour's Lost. She has been there hefore, in 1964 with RADA, playing Lady Macheth and Rosalind, and is sorry that they won't he appearing on the West Coast, so that she could catch up with her hrother, who is the Fleetwood in Fleetwood Mac, now permanently io the

The RSC's season eods in May. "After theo is oblivion. I simply don't know whether the don't fit into the scheme of the doll or the bird, which is what a lot of film makers still think of."

Acting, she feels, is really her whole life. "It is the thing which stops me going mad. I think the joh is therapy for me. Without it I don't know what I would do—I think it round and have some friends round, and have a cosy eveo-iog in compensation for all the shakes and quivers of it all."

Festival Hall/Radio 3

William Mann

Elgar's second symphony is as eloquent and measurable a major work as any in the romantic orchestral repertory, eveo though it will be argued that the first theme of the finale is no inflexible to sustain its context after three superbly felt and invented movements, mastery tumbling over the brim of their eomaioing structures.

I have helieved this, through more or less effective performanees, ever since, as a schoolboy, I heard Sir Adrian Boult conduct it (and especially after aith was often strained when conductors were in

charge, sometimes even by the less youthful Boult. On Thurs-day when Sir Charles Groves conducted the work, there was no doubt at all.

Elgar devotees have their Elgar devotees have their own collection of favourite interpretations: Gerontius conducted by Alao Kirby, Menuhin's youthful recording of the violin concert, the Enigma Variations under Monteux, Casals in the cello concerto (my chauvinistic seniors gave him an undeservedly rude press for a reading that I bave never heard equalled). A similar heard equalled). A similar place, I suspect, will be reserved for Groves's account of the second symphony on this occa-sion (lucky radio listeners who

could tape it on the sly). Like most unforgettable per-formances this one bad some flaws: a fluff here, a domico there, and a deliberate, dogged, troppo moderato pace for the finale which helped the fugato student performance—there is finale which helped the fugato a cymbal clash at the recapitulation in the first movement which is only equalled by the ones at the end of the overture to Die Meistersinger).

The conduct it (and especially after there, and a definerate, dougled, dougle stance) sounded starved of legato line. The lead-back to

the first movement's recapitula-tion almost stopped dead. But it was nevertheless a glorious performance, and the funereal performance, and the funereal slnw movement approached per-fection in noble expression and alleotion to detail.

The Royal Philharmonie Orchestra, indeed, covered itself in glory—the rapid woodwind in the scherzo and the wind in the scherzo and the terrifying thud of its trio section, the exquisite soft string chords in the Larghetto, and also in the first movement, come to that. The first and last movements started uneasily: for the rest it was an interpretation strong in appreciation, slowly matured so that the immediate eloquence, left further delights to he remembered subsequently—like the aftertastes of a great wine. wine.

lo the first half of the concert Alfred Breodel gave a characteristic reading of Beetcharacteristic reading of Beet-boven's fourth piano concerto, poised and penetrating; and Sir Charles conducted a witty, dapper account of Britten's Young Person's Guide, I would have written gladly about these at length, but all was swamped by the magic of the Elgar.

Cymbeline Aldwych

Irving Wardle

Unresisting imbecility" was Johnson's famous phrase for the plot of Cymbeline; but oot for the play's other elemeots. And the main strategy of this Stratford transfer is to save the Stratford transfer is to save the marvels of the text from getting entangled in its lahyrinth of incredible incident. Action may he a dramatic priority, but when you recollect that attempts have been made to unity Combeline by treating it as the Ur-text for Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, it is easy to go aloog with the approach preferred by the RSC directorate (Barry Kyle, John Barton, and Clifford Williams).

the small part of Cornelius into a moderator (like Gower in Pericles) between the play and the spectator. Jeffery Dench plays him as a wry, silver-haired old party, always on hand to supply hasic informa-tion or read stage directions for a harde too complicated to act out. More important, he sets the tone of the occasioo as a fairy-tale in which anything can bappen, take it or leave it. "The scene changeth to Italy", he remarks with a helpless shrug; and in the hysterical final pile-up of reunions and long-lost oroles on the neck, he brings the house down with a panicky: "O God,

You are, in short, encouraged to laugh at the play, with the result that sympathies are left open to its periodic ascents into on, and Clifford Williams). high ceremony, sexual passion,
This consists of enlarging and great poetry. "Hang there

more compreheosive summation

ticular, although such matters

Etude pour les sonorités opposées. Thete was an exquisite range of ouance at the lower

eod of the dynamic spectrum, too, and Mr Peebles would have

done well to give us more of

I left out one thing."

like fruit my soul/Till the tree die ". Terence Wilton's Post-humus says io the midst of the farcical reuniooa; and the lice is not lost

Mr Wiltoo replaces Tim Pigott-Smith in this most ungrateful Shakespearian lead; hat the other main casting remains unchanged. In the past six mooths the company have intensified the contrasts between the heights and depths of that piece, seizing in particular on every opportunity for mock-beroics. David Suchet as the faithful Pisanio slams home his line about not having bad a wink of sleep last night while preparing to put a sword through lmogen. Meanwhile, you are genuinely in fear for her life. Repeated examples of this kind confirm that the life of Cymbeline resides in discontinuity and stylistic contradiction. To unify it would be to kill it.

sity of Mr Peebles's reading. In

ceotral movement, taken so slowly; yet though close to im-mobility the music's inner ten-

always was luminous, even in moments of greatest stress, and

Scorho was given a most strik-

Brahms might well have orchestrated his F minor

ing interpretation, subtle and in-

of his eotire contribution to fact, it was a matter of both piano composition. That is a poetry and daring, for I have world to which Mr Peehles showed himself far herter attumed than to Bach. In par-

are considerably more explicit sion was maintained. In the in a chaconne, his sense of structure was much surer in the always was luminous, even in

troverted.

Antony Peebles

Queen Elizabeth Hall

Max Harrison

Antony Peebles's account of the Bach-Busoni Chaconne was distinguished in several departments of pieno playing, yet was without much atmosphere and lacked the propet feeling of cumulative effect as one variation is piled upon another. That ls rather crucial, of course, because originally the Chaconne was a tour de force demonstration of what Bach could do within the form oo just a solo violin, that aspect heing inexplicably retained Busoni's transcription for

these pieces.

Instead, we had Ravel's Gaspard de la Nuit, that, again, being a summation in so far as it is the composer's finest piano work, the one that he significantly did not orchestrate. It is movement's more aggressive edges, although the scherzo was also presently difficult to play riolin, that aspect heing also extremely difficult to play, more direct. Mr Peebles's the last movement, Scarho, proverly different medium.

Dehussy Etudes form a still day because of the poetic inteovery different medium.

Philip Norman Much trouble had been taken

Albert Hall

Bryan Ferry

io ordet that Brian Ferry's Albert Hall concert should be oumhered among historic recitals. A bandsome orchestra was engaged and a viciously expensive programme printed. Around the gilded circumference, the better hoxes were filled with the fashionable elite of rock music, vigorously semaphoriog their prestige and their exclu-

greatoess was furnished by an announcement that, although we had already waited an hour, we must now wait half an hour

that a man wearing evening dress and bair dressing should sway and hend his knees in the execution of a rock song. It sur-prises us that a voice, little stronger than that of a Guards subaltern on amateur night, should be exercised upon the soogs of Brian Wilson, Kris Kristofferson and Stevie Wonder. The impact of such music, indeed, is much akin to the un-Philippa Toomey their prestige and their exclu-siveness. The promise of true who form so large a part of

Mr Ferry's audience. Everyone is diverted at the sight of a funny hat. In a sequence of funny hats, the humour is more

The power of Briao Ferry is the power of viscal anactronism. It engages our attention catalogue of good music, at old hallads pop, old rock, old hallads together with reminders of Roxy music, the band from which Mr Ferry has now grandly removed. There is seldom pleasure in material regurgitated without improvement or affection. There is no pleasure in the subjecting of such material to Mr Ferry's self-satisfied parody.

His audience clapped and stamped with much fervour—as if the lampoon bad not been at their expeose.

Clive Barnes/New York Notebook

Hell's kitchen with a great cuisine

New York, New York, is a mon-strous town, the price is up our strous town, the price is up but the morale is down, the people live in o hole in the ground: New York, it's n monstrous town—old folk song. Neil Simon, New York's national playwright, has just produced his annual play. It is called God's favourite, and it is a comedy about a modern Job. Job, you must understand, is a sort of New York folk hero. If we were a new testameot town, we would a new testament town, we would probably call him St Job. As it is, New York Christians just have to identify with St Sebastian. New Yorkers grow accustomed to living in the path of the thunderbolt, or the wake of the garhage truck. At this time of the year, most good New Yorkers expect to be

slightly maimed. For example, I at present have only one arm. A foolish fall, an arm out to protect myself, a dislocated shoulder, agony, displays of simple brute strength by highly qualified orthopsedists and here I am, pecking disconsolately with one floger on an electric As I write there is no cold water in the apartment. Hot

water, but no cold water. A water maio broke just down the road. The subway is flooded. The doorbells in the apartment block do not work, but the milk strike is over, and the murder role is down for the last three months.

A department store has just delivered a desk for my daughter. It took five weeks, the

colour is wrong, the chair does not match the desk, but who can be worried about trifles? After all, the handyman mov come and fix the stove any day now—I mean, he promised a week ago. The weather forecast may well be wrong and the cuts being made in essential made in tial city services, such as fire and police, may not affect us as much as we fear. Joh bas his problems, too, and there will always be a New York, at least Los Angeles they even have

ing them, they are giggling uncootrollably all the way to their own bank? Hardly. The dirtiest pavements (sidewalks, whatever) in the world, that only a rather peculiar dog could love? Not exactly. Defensive breathing? Well, it is a survival procedure that may become more and more vital in our pollutionridden civilization, and apart, of course, from Los Angeles, where the pollution is so lead that fundamentally you only recognize your nearest and dearest by the husk in their voices. New York's must be the worst air to breathe in. And no one breathes out.

What else has New York? We have great pizza. One of the saddest things for a New Yorker travelling to Italy is the solemn discovery that pizza is too great a dish to have been left with the Italians—after all whoever trusted Hamburg or Frankfurt for their contributions to the American cuisine? No, the food is absolutely great. We even have frozen food you could sell in Iceland. But that is not really why we stay bere—unless we happen to be nostalgic lce-

There is something about New York. Ridiculously enough my family and myself (sometimes more me than my family, I suspect I have clung to the precipi-tous, fortress island of Manhattan for nearly 10 years. There has to be an easier way of death. Yet New York exerts its calmly masochistic power. New York knows. It is the one town in the world that people come to, hut never leave. You can only retreat from New York, and tell always he a New York, at least yourself that it is a strategic until the first nuclear strike. In withdrawal.

Personally, I happen to love Academy of Music, and during readers.

earthquakes to worry about.

But what does New York have to offer? Rude notes from my hank, quite unnecessarily pointing out that 1 am overpointing out that I am overdrawn, and quite paiofully hinting at savage retribution-knowing all the time that at the knowing all the kno make it-aod we probably don't —we still have it on import terms. Sit tight in New York and the world of the arts will and the world of the arts will almost certainly pass hefore your possibly bleary eyes.

The amount of theatrical activity for example, is asmoishing. At present there are 27 Broadway theatres, eight off-Broadway theatres and 32 major off-off-producers above the street of the producers and the street of the producers and the street of the producers are the street of the producers and the street of the producers are the street of the producers are the street of the producers are the street of the street

off-off Broadway theatres open. This total of 67 is nothing like the complete picture. There are many other smaller theatres in town offering usually only at weekends, new plays or classics. There are areas in the city were there seems to be a theatre on every block.

New York is still the dance capital of the world. Next week we have New York City ballet

we have New York City ballet continuing its season at Lincoln Centre, Americao Ballet Theatre, with its all-stars including Natalia Makarova and Mikhail Baryshnikov, opens at City Centre and a troupe calling itself, informally. "Nure evand Friends", led by the Tartar prince, Merle Park and Louis Falco, opens at the Uris Theatre for a five-week Broadway run. The Eliot Feld Ballet continues at the Joseph Papp's New York Shakespeare Festival, and the Murray Louis Dance and the Murray Louis Dance Company goes on with its sea-son at the New York University Theatre. The George Faisou Universal Dance Experience and the Pilobolus Dance Company are sharing a season at the Harkness Theatre, and the Pearl Lang Dance Company is opening a season at the Kauf-mann Hall with a full-evening work based on The Dubmak. The Eglevsky Ballet is giving morning performance of The Nutcracker at the Brooklyn

about a dozen to 20 additional daoce coocerts. Unless that was what they did in Gomorrah, un town has even known so much

The number of cinemas open

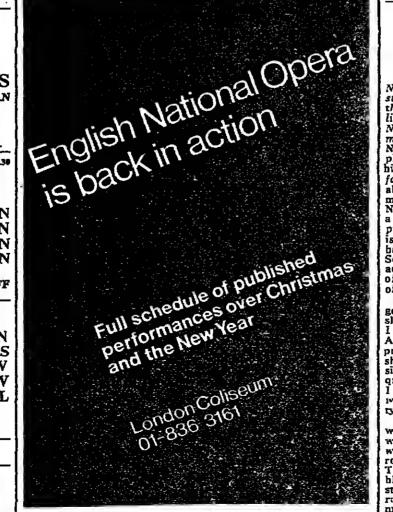
dance.

in New York and the variety of film available could be a story in itself. The New York cinema is a continuous movahle feast, an unending film festival, where new films and old films are constantly bubbling through town. Add to this the number of old films (about 20 a Jay) shown on the various television channels, and one can soon see the sheer quantity of movies offered to the New Yorker. Quantity, as well as quality, is the special characteristic of the New York art scene. Over the year it offers (in sheer numbers) more operas and, possibly, more concerts than any other more concerts than any other town in the world. It has more art exhibitions than anywhere else. luterestingly, I am told that by a vast measure the city

that by a vast measure the city buys more books than any other city, or even any other two cines, in the world.

So New York is a massive culture vulture perched on its shabby fence waiching, superciliously, the decline and fall uf ivesion civilization? Hardly, New York may have the arts available like running water available like running water—
when it runs. Yet a stranger
in town would not find it noticeably even civilized. Yes, I juve New York for the aris scene, New York for the arts scene, but this is only a small part of the city. I love the town also for its vitality, its hustle, its politics, its restaurants, its commitment, its seriousness, its frivolity, its unique sense of the absurd the style of its chic, and the cheek of its style. It is a city like no other, an inefficient, frustrating Hell's kitchen, with a great cutsine. a great cuisine.

The photograph in the Clive Barnes column last week was incorrectly captioned. It was of Sir Rudolf Bing, not Anthony Bliss as stated. Out apologies to both gentlemen and to our







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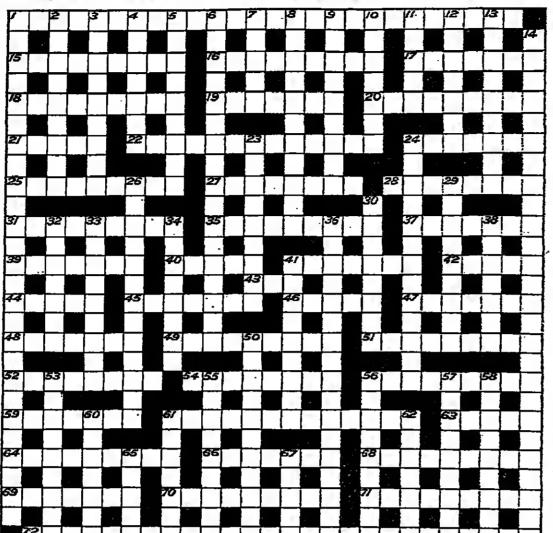
Jumbo Crossword

Three prizes of £10 will be awarded for the first three correct solutions opened on Thursday, January 2. Entries should be addressed to The Times Jumbo Crossword Competition, PO Box 7, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8EZ. The solution and the names of the prizewinners will be published in the Saturday Review of January 4.

1 Tempus fugit. Herrick advises assembly of Maud's garden girls (6, 2, 8, 5, 2, 3).

15 Like Mariana going public with unusually dire consequence? (9). Though member is tardy, the Commons do

their job (9). 17 In a Channel Island love is valour (7). 18 Shoot crazy miner in a football crowd (9).



19 Would such jewelry suit a fancy dresser? (7).

20 Subtle play, Joison the Drug-seller (9). 21 Last girl in God's own country (5).

22 Like the hushand who unhappily died? Monstrous! (13). 24 Nathan, the musical guy of Carsville, USA

25 This is more important than, say, means of egress (9).

27 Hence Ray's appearance on TV everywhere

28 During schooloays it appears to stop temporarily (8). 31 As depraved as a heathen's dinner, or an

1849 florin (9). 35 Supervisor's omission? (9). 37 Being stuhborn about America's bill? (Just

like The Times in classic form) (7). One article's inept though it's descriptive

40 Pallisers—a middling sort of yarn (5). 41 Silas Maruer for instance, a literary scholar

(7).
42 I see you are a sound changer of gold (5).
43 Company of disagreeable tradesmen (3).
44 "——, Eros; the long day's task is done" (A & C) (5).
45 Not at home? Let us make our exits (7).
46 The fire in Wardle's Dell (5).
47 Pilot wanders round the island state with the Mediterranean port (7).
48 Plan's stupid, to surround old Mogul capital (7).

49 Cars dispersed by Jock's stone—they make such a clatter (9). 51 Wheelwright's assistant has something to

Little hird making itself cosy (8).

54 Don Giovanni, descending to this Emberday joh? (8).
56 Not a very outstanding type of sculpture

(3-6). 59 Like that untold story of that unknown cricketer? (7).

cricketer? (7).

61 Jeremy's occupation has a suggestion of craft (7, 6).

63 Timely progress of little women (5).

64 One who corrects naughty Tommy? (9).

66 How does a cricket captain encourage his men to listen? (7).

68 The earthborn variety is disgusting (9).

69 Arthur's mother that is, holding the cereal

70 Former army girl has compliment paid that's characteristic (9). 71 What laymen are doing when 72-wait for

72 But good cheer we hope is enjoyed more frequently (9, 5, 3, 4, 1, 4).

1 A boy with sweets-then kisses, tears and flight (7, 6, 7, 3, 3).

2 The point about Abram's origin as an invoker of divine power (9).

3 Disentangle the 21 text (9). 4 Long limb of the law in service beside the mast (43).

5 How a stripper puts matters right after her act (9).

6 Embarrassment-resulting from a Cartesianthought? (4-13).

7 Phoney American sailor upset us (5), 8 Dehates over issue about one Games event

9 A stiffener, the drink Boh fails to finish when disturbed outside (9). 10 Where it is always Sunday? No, but it's a

sound idea (7). 11 A moral way of life and here in Rome-too

12 A token sum, hy no means trifling (7).
13 Like Berry, with a hundred in one class (9).
14 Henry's Harfleur exhortation to follow 36's example (7, 3, 6, 2, 3, 5).

Dainty dish for an army corps in tents per-

24 Oddly enough not some Indian sects (13). 26 Herod's title more vulgar, epplied to William Pitt (5, 8).

Pitt (5, 8).

29 Hand over the criminal, one of the films crowd, tied in knots (9).

30 Among top performers Mrs French has speech difficulty (2).

32 A small party with a bachelor who found the rohbers' hoard (3, 4).

33 As fleeting as the maylly (9).

34 Winter phenomenon about now ordered by (5).

36 Frenchman rought with terrible glee scourge-menace of the Great War (7, 10).
38 Where prohibition only relates to Othello's

return? (3-4).
41 For spoon-feeding it must be properly timed (6, 3).
50 Statesman's idiom? (11).

Dandy's upset—out to demon howler (9) Bunthorne was such a sham (9).

His tales were ten days in the telling (9).

Does she seem worried over money in drams school? (9). Jacobean tribesman (9). Harry proved Lovelace's most famous lines

61 Armourer using French metal end artists in an Italian city (7). 62 Global prices horrific once perhaps (7)

Negotiate free entertainment (5). Excursions in the Loire valley 15).

Gardening

A blooming miracle

The weather is never very far the leaves fell. Now it is a mass weather is welcome but we must from a gardener's thinking, and of course it crops np in every conversation hetween gardeners. often the flowers are ruined by This has been a very peculiar year, particularly since the end of June. People are already referring to 1974 as a wet year they remember the had weather at holiday times but districts.
We had the first snowdrops forget we were desperately short of water right through the

spring. It has been a cold autumn with temperatures generally below average, but we have had very few really frosty nights. This has brought about some interesting plant hebaviour. Never have I seen Prunus subhirtella autumnalis looking so lovely. My own small tree has really excelled itself this year. mentioned in early November that the flowers were already

opening even hefore the last of

of hlossoms, as are many other trees in our part of Surrey. Too severe frosts. Our own tree has pink buds, but the open flowers are white, and I must say I am rather envious of one or twn really good pink forms I see in the Guildford and Woking

in flower over a week ago, and the winter aconites, Eranthis hgemalis, were even then show-ing colour. This, by our reckon-ing in our garden, is about a fortnight earlier than usual. Winter jasmine and Vibur-

num grandiflorum have, of ing seed potatoes to be sent by course, heen in bloom for some time, and in a friend's garden have done in the past. time, and in a friend's garden the heautiful golden vellow Mahoria Charity is a magnifi-cent sight just now. This is

expect some severe spells and it would be wise now to put any necessary covering of peat, old leaves, straw or bracken over and around plants that oeed protection. A clocke or two over some parsley is a worth while insur-

ance. If you like fresh mint in the winter, lift a few roots and put them in a hox or pot, and keep in a heated greenhouse or frame. I touched hriefly a few weeks ago upon the problem of buy-ing seed potatoes. Transport costs and uncertainty about the

time taken in transit have made

many of ns chary about order-

It is an interesting refle on our times that Sutton & Sons now offer only two varienes of potato—their own Sutton's Fore-

chips. These they offer at prices including carriage. Foremost, 14Ib for £1.33, 28lh £2.25, 1 cwt £6.80; Majestic, 14lh 51.23, 28lb £2.05, 1 cwt £6.20.

Edward, or Maris Peer which are resistant to the disease.

I am often asked, too, for a source of seed tubers of the Jerusalem artichoke Fuseau. One other firm offers, for example, Mejestic at £5.35 a cwt

if you can collect them—carriage extra if not. Of course, I know there are many people who cannot collect their seed potatoes and must have them sent. Other suppliers of seed potatoes, whose catalogues I have, are T. Butcher Ltd, Shirley, Croydon, Surrey, and Cramphorn Ltd, Cuton Mill,

Chelmsford, CM2 6PD, Essex, who have over 60 shops in various parts of the country.

And while we are on the subject of potatoes, I often have queries about scah on the tubers. Now this is an unsightly disease, hut not very serious. If

Travel

you get scahhy potatoes every year, do not apply lime to the

Jerusalem artichoke Fuseau. This produces a large tuher not so knobbly as the common old variety, and is offered by Samnel Dobie & Son Ltd, Upper Dee Mills, Llangollen, Denhigh-shire LL20 8SD, at 50p a pound.

Many of us I fear may have to change our gardening habits as costs continue to rise, but incomes do not. A friend has, over many years, made a habit when pruning shrubs, of push-ing a few of the prunings into the ground. As he says, if only one or two in every 10 take root, he is still winning, and his garden has many roses, forsythias and other shrubs he has rooted in this way.

Most of the florihunda roses, and the most vigorous of the hybrid teas, climbers and shrub would find attractive in the most, an excellent first early, soil; dig in plenty of manure roses, root easily enough from depths of winter.

Every day of reasonably mild one of the hest potatoes for such as Arran Pilot, King the open ground about this time roses, root easily enough from

of year. One can, of course, take a little more trouble with bard wood cuttings than my hit and miss friend. With roses, for example, take good stout stems of this year's growth, cut off and discard the soft top third of the stem. Cut the rest into pieces 8 to 12 inches long, and insert these in a shallow trench so thet there is about 2 m 3 inches of stem showing above ground. Put an inch of sharp sand at the bottom of the trench, and space the cuttings about 12 inches apart in rows the same distance epart. Firm them well in, and if they should be loosened by frost during the winter, tread them in again. Besides roses, currants, red, hlack or white, and gooseberries may be propagated by rooting With gooseherries, however, you ruh off the buds on the part of the shoot that is buried in the

ground.

Roy Hav

Bridge

Fair criticism

Our performance in the European championships was particularly disappointing this year; great trouble had been taken over the selection of the British team and there is hittle doubt that we sent to Tel Aviv six of the best players available.

The editor of the Bridge Magazine (Wakefield Road, Leeds, £3.75 p.a.) fairly and candidly reports our mistakes: "a misplayed three no trumps cost 10 match points", or, "the second half saw no improvement", etc. Until recently, writers have been frightened to criticize a player for making an appalling bid or lead, possibly for fear that he may sue for libel if he suffers professional injury. It always amuses me that my col-league, the chess correspondent, excuses a slip or childish move at a critical moment hecause the champion was under "ime pressure", presumably a polite way of describing him as slow-

Eric Milnes, however, is a man of courage and never accuses anyone of playing either too fast or too slowly; he merely points out how a match has been lost and leaves tha reader to apportion tha hlame. My conclusion from the disaster bulletins is that some players lacked the stamina for a protracted contest. They added to the inevitable stress hy employing elaborate systems which could be misinterpreted or had been insufficiently

Here is the Precision Club at work; the partners were using it to describe every hand of 16 or more points.

West A K 10 S S A K Q 10 e e 2

A slam was missed which should have been reached. West obviously did not believe that his partner had eight tricks, although I am told that the response of three no trumps specifically showed a solid suit with an ace or a king outside. It would appear that the opener should either baya hid again or have avoided the sys-tem bid on a two-suit hand

This happened in one of the early matches which we won, and illustrates a typical partner-ship misunderstanding. An addi-tional complication in the bid-



better hand. The British hidding at the other table was even more

Five clubs is an example of

make a profit.

the "anticipatory sacrifice", thet is, one of those hids which

ding was the Multi-coloured Two Diamonds. Milnes explains the convention beautifully, but he does not say why the dealer with a weak hand cannot afford to pass on nine points, especially when he is vulnerable.

Not surprisingly, the contract went two down after East ob-In this instance the conventional two diamonds showed one of two hands: (a) a weak two opening in a major suit, or (h) a strong hand with a 44-4-1 shape (as in the Italian system). The two no trumps response was forcing and invited the opener to show what he was made of; so he bid his suit and was raised to game. If North had been satisfied to pass three hearts we should have secured a good result hut he apparently expected his partner to have a

South West North East No Nn 1 Club 3 Clubs 5 Hearts 3 Clubs (1) Botble No

ensure that you make a loss, even if your opponents will not Next year the European championships will be held in England for the first time since 1961. It has been estimated that the cost of staging them will be at least £25,000, and any con-tributions, however small, to the "Championship Fund", Bridge Magazine, will be most welcome.

Edward Mayer sorry.

Something should be done about travel writers who periodically announce the discovery of the last unspout fishing village or beach which then a few months later becomes nothing of the sort. Perhaps they should he sentenced to two weeks of fish and chips on the Costa Brava in Angust.
Myself, if I find a good place
I never tell anyone hut a few
friends. But there is one area which could survive even if all the readers of The Times arrived simultaneously. I therefore have no scruples about announcing its existence to those who do not in fact wish 'o meet the entire readership of The Times on holiday. Finland is larger than the British Isles hut has fewer people than London, so the average population is only 37 inhabitants to the square mile. You could probably fied a good

many aquare miles without any inhahitants at all. This would he a pity because the Finns are very nice people hat it gives some idea of the amount of space there is for everyone. Above all Finland has more than 60,000 lakes. We were lent a log cahin near one of them only 30 miles from Helsinki. It was relatively crowded by which I mean that we could see two other cabins far away on the opposite shore.

Our cabin had a small jetty and a rowing boat and we were spothed night and day by the quiet lapping of the water on the rocks and the sighing of the wind in the rushes. In the morning the sun came up very low hehiod the pine trees so we put breakfast in the boat and rowed out to eat drifting in the snushine. As the suo came round we lay on the jetty or sat on the halcony or swam in the lake, which was so pure that we could have drunk it if we had run out of the clear spring water that our friends hrought us from time to time.

The sun was hot and after a day or two it hegan to seem a day of two it negan to seem pointless to put on clothes, so we didn't. The cahin was reached by a long rough track through the woods which led nowhere else. There were some times distant signs of human heings on the opposite shore hut we did not row across end invite them over for a driok and they did not row across and invite us over for a drink and I don't suppose anyone





in the evening there was an occasional plague of outboard motors, which was the penalty of heing too near Helsinki. In some lakes the inhabitants have agreed to do without them. Curiously enough the lakeland Finns do not seem to have dis-covered the sailing boat as a means of transport. Nor do they see much point in racing crowds of dinghies around huoys. If they sail they mostly go out to sea and try to find a lonely island.

The result is that one can sit dreamily staring across miles of empty water or row through patches of yellow lilies and watch the birds dipping for fish.

Or one can walk through empty woods and along fields of rich corn. The days were very long in July and the eur set in a slow shallow slide that drew out the evenings until 11 o'clock. After that the sky continued to glow. It was never quite dark, even without the huge ornamental yellow moon that sometimes hung ecross the lake. It was a warm and friendly environment end it felt like one of those childhood

summers they do not make in Britain any more. The hut was a simple affair

with bottled gas and an earth closet, which now seems a very modern ecological thing to have, especially as it saves the lake from pollution. For washing we used the lake water. There were oil lamps but the days were so long we scarcely ever used them. We rented a tiny car and occasionally went bouncing through the woods to shop at a supermarket a few miles

away.

And of course there was a sauna, as there always is in Finland. Mildly curious, we were instructed in how to heat the little room to 80 degrees Centigrade with a log stove, theo roast for a while, then jump in the lake, and then repear the whole operation several rimes. It was pleasantly relax-ing and rather stupifying, and after the first attempt I fell into e deep baby-like sleep for about two bours. On another occasion our Finnish friends joined us and we began to appreciate the social intimacy which is one of the maio points of the sauna.

A boliday of this sort probably best for the really idle. You can, of course, get u your car and drive to other lakes, but they all looked mucl alike io our area. You can fiot good resmurants if you look If you are near Helsinki you can drive in for the night life If you know ebout fishing you cao prohably catch your supper and if you know about wildlift there is plenty to watch. But w. did little but sit in the sun read, slide in and our of the green water, stroll through the forests, and row to other part of the lake.

Cottages can be rented eithe individually or in "villages A photograph of one of these villages in a brochure reveal not a single building of and sort Perhaps it shows the view that case it is probably typical

Richard Davy

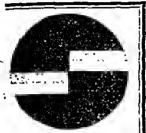
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1 tablespoons brandy; If you think it's B good 10oz plain flour;

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For many years the concept of art iovestment has been on bocough's Duchess of Devonevery lip but the counch has come with the cevelation this week that the British Rail pension fund has beguo to invest in art with the advice of Sotheby's.

There is, to my mind, nothing objectionable about millionaire punters having a go in the art market. But this is a far cry from investment managecs putning the funds that are to provide for the old age of our

railwaymen at risk. Thece ace two features of this situation which can be criticized. One is that the railway pension fund should be investing in art at all, the second that they should be taking the advice of Sothahy's.

We know that they have hought a Tiepolo oil sketch for £195,000 and two Panini views of Rome for £40,000. They also bought some of the superb French furniture in the Lady Baillie sala, and are said to have bought some important Chinese ceramics; the total sum they are aiming to invest is £5 million.

The strategy that one deduces from this—and the rail board and Southeby's are maintaining a tightlipped silence—is that purchases of the finest quality examples of the fine and applied arts are to be pursued as the equivalent of blue chip invest-

In the first place one must say that this strategy could only be argued if the investment is a long term one. It is a well known feature of the art market that any important item ceturning to the market too soon, say under five to 10 years, will seldom match its purchase price. If the Tiepolo was to be re-offered in March, the pension fund would be lucky to get

wine dealers, a pillar of the merchant aristocracy of the Chartrons for more than a cen-

tury was convinced on Thursday of intention to defraud, resistance to revenue officers in the accomplishment of their

duty, of alteration, dissimula-tion, and cemoval of documents liable to enlighten the course

It is not so much the suspeoded prison sentence of six

months, and the fine of F27,000

(the maximum provided for hy the law of 1905, which all the

experts agree is obsolete) that

is most injurious to their repu-

tation. It is their being given three years' probation, like any petty wrongdoer, which amounts

to placing their firm under

permanent judicial supervision,

and deprives it of the benefit

of the amnesty law approved when President Giscard d'Estaing took office.

What it means can only be

judged in the context of what François Mauriac, who was not ceceived in the exclusive society

of the Chartrons wrote in

Precedence: "Here wine ennobles, and if a broker does not

attain the nobility of the trader,

master of a great house, he nevertheless has precedence

ovec all the professioos, and the

The Cruses had a great reputation in Bordeaux, but they were not popular. Apart from

the inevitable jealousy pro-

voked by their wealth and repu-

tation, they were regarded as too baughty, distant, self-satisfied, treating wine brokers

like office boys, and turning out the officers of the inland

revenue who came to call un them to check on their hooks

and cheir stock—" police methods reminiscent of those

of the Gestapo", the Association of Bordeaux Wine Traders declared at the time. They

thought they were untouchable, and had issued a proud state-

ment "denying the existence of

any misdemeanor on our part".

action against any who damaged their repute and that of Bor-

In its judgment, the court underlined the "special gravity" of the fraudulent practices involved, owing to the

of Bordeaux wines, to Gironde wine in general, and to the

credit attached to the notion of

the case much be judged is that

the trial, a few thousand hecto-

litres, are a drop in the ocean of the Bordeaux vineyard's

annual production of about 5,000,000 hectolitres. The second

is that the "doctoring" of wines

which it brought out in a crude

light is impossible in the case

of chateau-bottled wine, from

the most prestigious to the most

humble, and that the best Ror-

deaux were never even remotely incriminated in the case. It is

only the cheaper, anonymous

appellation controlde wines, marketed under the generic terms of Medoc, St Emilion,

The third fact is that the Bor-

deaux wine scandal could just as easily bave broken out in other, much smaller, wine grow-

ing regions, like those of Bur-

gundy or Beaujolais, where pro-

duction is much more limited,

but the temptation to cash in on what until last year was an insariable demand at home and abroad, which, after Bordeaux,

spread to all other areas, proved irresistible. There was a

Graves, and so forth.

The first fact against which

appellation d'origine".

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deaux wines.

rabble of officials."

What the Bordeaux

trial means to the French

wine industry

How are the mighty fallen. The House of Cruse, the second largest of prestigious Bordeaux of their Eordeaux rivals. But it wine dealers, a pillar of the merchant aristocracy of the kettle black.

ber once and for all the idea strategy ignores the effect of English portrait school was a bigh fashioo area in the 1920s. Duveen is said to have paid more than \$70,000 for Gains-

shice from Althorp in 1925. In terms of 1974 purchasing power this is equivalent to around 5700,000. And over 50 years the owner bas receive no dividend or interest on the expeoditure. To keep the sum simple, suppose they bave sacrificed 5 per cent income for 50 years, interest ayments worth £1.75 million have been lost.

To break even the resale price would now have to be £2.45 million 1974 pounds steeling. The painting is prohably now worth around £300,000.

And this is not an isolated case. Fashion in the 1920s embraced, in addition to the English portrait school, Renaissance furniture, tapestries, and jamille joune and famille noire Chinese purcelain. Similar calculations could be made to demonstrate the nondesirability of investing in these fields. And similar comparisons could he made with many other periods of history.

But, comes the rejoinder: what about the staggering rise in price since 1960 or so of Impression to paintings, Chinese ceramics, Durch marquetry furniture? In each of these cases the staggering rise in prises has been of the order of £500 to £50,000.

The only people who bave actually hought at the bottom and sold at the top of the market bave been those who did it by mistake. They had the good sense and good fortuna to form an important collection in a thoroughly unfashionable collecting field, only to find that it was impossible more that it was immeasurably more valuable once fashion bad caught up with it.

As far as one can see, this is not the type of collecting which 100,000 for it.

Southeby's are advising. It Given that this must be a appears that they are putting

the even greater national scan-dal of all-out production of the great vineyards. A decree of

1935 setting maximum produc-

tion per bectara for appellation controlee wines bas been uni-

versally transgressed. Eighty

hectolitres a hectare were pro-

duced in Burgundy, when the authorized limit was half, and

110 hectolitres in Beaujolais, when it was 55. Yet when the

govecnment last summec de-

cided to fighten up the application of the law, the wine growers of Burgundy went to

war against the decrees of tech-

oocrats who, they claimed, knew nothing about wine production.

The fourth and final fact is

that, as an agricultural en-

gineer and expect on alcoholism

Fantastic

Speculation

There are and always will be marvellous opportunities for speculation in the art market... But the idea that art is a solid and safe investment

medium is a fallacy

British Rail into the finest examples of what is highly cegarded now. That price escalation over the next 10 years for this type of painting or object will match the loss of (untaxed) income is dubious.

Furthermore, and this is important, works of art are not easily realizable investments. There is no daily quotation at which you can do business; you have to wait until someone turns up who is prepared to pay your price. Every dealer has the story of the perfectly lovely something oc other which he bought nine years ago and hasn't managed to interest anyone in at all.

Of course you can put it into auction and take a gamble. The auctioneer will probably estimate its value some 20-30 per cent below currenc dealer-to-museum or dealer-to-major-collectoc prices and advise you to set a reserve some 30-40 per cent below this.

You can stick out for a higher reserve and risk the painting cemaining unsold; but a major work, unsold at auction, is often balved in value overnight. Which brings me to

question of taking Sotheby's advice. Whichever way you look at it there must be a clash of interests between the fact that Sotheby's act for the seller take commission from the seller

take commission from the seller and advise him—and the idea of giving anyone unhiased advice on art purchases.

They seem to he arguing that in this case they provide background information on desirable objects, on possible prices and on the state of a market while leaving ir to British Rail to decide whether they actually bid or not. The advice must surely or not. The advice must surely be biased by that they have already given to the consignor. Sinca Juna the major problem of the auction rooms has lain in

of the auction rooms has lain in finding buyers for the most rare, important and expensive items they bave for sale.

Sotheby's have been looking for some time for a way of channelling institutional money into the art macket; talks with the M & G unit trust group came to nothing when the Board of Trade in di cated that sanction would not be forthcoming for the investment of unic trust funds in so speculative a

in the casa of a pension fund; the liability for non-profitable investment remains with the

The emergence of the British Rail fund, prepared to buy very major works of art, is just what Sotheby's need. If the embarrassing failure of major works of art to find buyers ac auction can be stopped, the rorwill be less likely to spread down the market. It will help put a stup to the art market recession indicated by the 25 per cent fall in sale room turn-

over this autumn. Setting this to one side, one may ask how good Sotheby's advice is likely to be. Two years ago Sotheby's ceased to act only as an auctioneer or occasion, to make outright purchases or to guarantee consignors a certain minimum out-turn on the sale of their collections. It is worth looking at some of the known examples

of this scheme in operation.
One of the most sensational
is the Jack R. Dick collection
of sporting paintings on which
Solinely's are known to have paid an advance of \$5.6 million to the United States govern-ment against Mr Dick's tax and other debts.

The first sale from the collection in October 1973 was considered a major success in ther prices nearly always went over the bottom end of Sotheby's estimates—though few reached the top end; the estimates were at the time considered were arbitises.

estimates were at the time considered very ambitious.

With the second sale last June the prices fell mainly around half the pre-sale estimate and some works did not attract a single bid. The third sale which was originally scheduled for this autumn has not materialized. not materialized.

Then there was the sale of furniture from the Leidesdorf rade in di cated that sanction collection last summer on which rould not be forthcoming for a contract "equivalent to a the investment of unic trust guarantee" had been negotioned in so speculative a guarantee had been negotioned in so speculative a nedium.

No such sanction is required the American practice of strip-

ping and repolishing furniture; dealers were not prepared in many cases to pay the prices Someby's hoped for on account of condition. Some forty lots unsold in Loudon were being offered privately by Parke Bernet in New York this

Perhaps the single most dangerous feature of British Rail's imitative is the likelihood that other fund managers may copy it. The £5 million which British Rail is proposing to spend is enough to put the on its feet. If three or four other funds were to enter the running an artificial price spiral would be virtually inevitable. The price boom of 1972-73 which petered out last summer

was essentially generated by investment interest from private individuals and investment consortia. The past six months bas seen a collapse in prices in those areas particularly favoured by investment buyers.

Nineteenth century land-scapes are worth one half or one third of last year's levels. Nobody knows the value of Chinese ceramics any more; Christie's sold a famille rose; bowl this autumn for £1,900 wbose twin made £15,000 last. April Impressionist and modern April. Impressionist and modern paintings bave also been bard

In the long term art prices are dictated by what genuine collectors and museums can afford to pay. Even a small number of investors competing against each other can puff prices to artificial levels; the last twist of the Chipage care. last twist of the Chinese cera-mics spiral was essentially the

There are and will always be marvellous opportunities for speculation in the art market— newly discovered collecting fields, new quirks of fashion. But the idea that art is a solid and safe investment medium is

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Mr James Callaghan: More broadly aceptable?

George Hutchinson

Facts and fancies for the political new year

"A National Government or even probable. Sound of silly, within months"... "the break-up of the Labour Party by the summer"... "Callaging than at the head of a Coalition." doubts and uncertainties.

As the doom-laden winter wears on, one hears the phrases everywhere. Short of withdrawing to some such sanctuary as Lundy Island, nobody could miss them. They are the currency of balf the cooversation to be beared in London and in to be beard in London—and in many quarters much more than

I wonder bow closely words and expectations will match re-ality as events unfold, if indeed they match them at all. For the underlying sentiment, while in-creasingly prevalent among former Conservative ministers, is hardly an appealing ooe to either the Government or the abour Party.

To them it is a ced herring fed by the Opposition and fit only—wheo they discuss it—for denunciation, derision and

Understandably enough, Mr Heath and his colleagues think differently, and in this they are in tune with a considerable body of opinion.

They believe that the appalling dangers and inescapable bardships of the economic crisis, with their accompanying social and political strains, are bound to produce an arrange-ment of some description be-tween the parties in Parlia-

One theory is that Mr Wilson may stand down in favour of Mr Callaghan, who is thought (by those who advance the proposition) to he a more broadly acceptable national leader in a period of extremity.

In that event, a number of leading Conservatives would be ready to join the government (they are inclined to take the invitation for granted); and so, no doubt, would Mr Thorpe. Another view now widely beard (though some would call

it a dream, like the first) is that the Labour Government is destined to break up if only on account of Europe. This derives from the assumption that Mr Wilson and most of his ministers will wish Britain co cemain in the EEC, commend that course to the country— and thereby lose the services of Mr Foot, Mr Shore and Mr Wedgwood Benn.

If that were to bappen, the resigning ministers would no doubt have the support of the Labour left, who might then farm a new party of their own, leaving Mr Wilson at the head of what had become, by defection, a party (and an administration) of social democrats, or moderates. On that recknoing so the reasoning continueshe might succeed in attracting the Liberals to his side thus establishing a coalition of sorts.

To many minds all this may seem fanciful, to others sensible

Sir Malby and his colleagues are more far-sighted than many of their fellow-Conservatives.

it forms part of the confused political debate and is a reflec-tion of prevailing national

There was so much to admice in Sir Morris Finer—his qualities of warmth, kindliness, considera-tion and compassion as well as his great professional accomplishments—that one cannot do justice to his memory.

With his untimely death the High Court has lost a judge of the utmost distinction and the

nation a servant of itreplaceable capacity.

It may be said without dis-espect to his successor that the Royal Commission on the Press can no longer be expected to produce a Report of the class and calibre guaranteed by Morris Finer's chairmanship. With his brilliant scepnical

mind, his prodigious thorough-ness, his insight and bis liking for journalism (though be recognized its faults and failuces), he was uniquely suited to direct the inquiry.

Working along the lines that
he established, the commission
should still be able to produce a

good Report, even, perbars, an ontstanding one. But it will lack the stamp of Mr Justice Fine's final judgment and authority. The distinguished (if ill-swept) Royal Bocough of Kensingtoo and Chelsea has a substantial immigrant community, concentrated—as to 30 per cent—in North Kensington: Asians, many West Indians, Mococcans, Spaniacds, Portuguese, Nigerians, Irish. Yet it has no community relations council of the kind normally found in such an area.

Instead, it has an Integration committee. Why is this, and what is the distinction?

officer, Major Narindar Singh Saroop, is the spokesman for community relations on the borongb cooncil. He tells me that the object of the integration committee is twofold: "to improve the climate of race relations now and to identify the cight people to form a community relations council later." The authority alceady has a salaried community relations adviser, housed in its more com-

prehensive Information and Aid What Sir Malby Crofton, tha leader, and Major Saroon have found from their observations elsewhere is that community celations councils teod to fall

into the hands of the left. This they are hoping to avoid the royal borough: hence the two stages, or process of selection. "We want to set up a community relations council in our own way," says Major Saroop, "and not allow tha left to dominate it."

kettle black. But the fact remains that half at least of the new "Beaujolais" sold in Paris restaurants at this time of year is not Beaujolais at all. Le Monde wrote last month that the "fiddling" of the aristocracy of Bocdeaux then on judgment was only a "mild scandal" compaced to the even greater national scan-

Sportsview

The professional game that is played only for love

in France told me last week, a trial like that of Bordeaux would be incooceivable in any other wice-producing country. The French laws and regulations oo wine are regarded as so much a model of their kind that the Brussels Commission is trying to extand them to the whole European Community. It says something for the integrity and professional conscience of the ioland revenue officers, and of the officials of the Department of Fcauds of the Ministry of Agriculture—who pursued their investigations undeterred by the obstruction and fulminations of the Cruses, and the

wine traders association-and for the independence of French justice in this case, that it did not hesitate to cut off, as the public prosecutor called upon it to do in his indictment, a diseased but mighty branch of the Bordeaux wine plant. There could never have been a Bordeaux wine case without the fantastic speculation in clarets which occurred in 1972

and 1973, when the price of a barrel of ordioary appellation controlee Bordeaux rose from F2,000 to F4,000, and there was nut enough to meet the de-mand. Now, it has dropped back to F2,000, and the report is that this year's harvest will fall as low as F1,000 a barrel, The fall in great chateau

wines has been even more spectacular. Chateaux Margaux, which sold for F20,000 a barrel in 1972, has dropped between 3,000 and 4,000. The reason is the unparalleled harvests of 1973 and 1974, and the fact that prices finally outstripped demand. It has nothing to do with the Bordeaux wine trial. But the two combined will lead to a reorganization of the trade and a righteoing up of the rules, perhaps, as some wine growers insist, by controlling the wine whoo it leaves the toader, not when it leaves the producer, so that the consumer can be sure not that the quality is good but that what he is delikiog corresponds to what appears on the label of the bottle. "We have a great re-putation to defeod", a leading producer told me. "But we

must make sure we are worthy

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The wind that cuts across Hackney Marshes is not so chill, perhaps, as the one that wbips down from the Pennine Range, hut the grunts, groads and frosted hreaths of the Southern Rughy League lads are just as lahoured as those of their northern colleagues.

"It iso't players we're short of ", said the treasurar of the Hackney A.R.L.F.C., just before the kick-off of his club's home fixture with Ealing, and he added morusely: " It's officials." At which point, and as if to emphasize the abundance of playing members, the skipper of the Hackney side counted heads and found himself with 17 enthusiasts warming up oo

the field of play.
"Right then-I want four of you off before I start this game", said the referee, Mr John Bulton, burn io St Heleus but now of London. As well as refereeing, Mr Bolton doubles as the secretary of the Soutbern Rugby League, which would seem to coofirm the complaint about the dearth of officials.

The president of the Southern Rughy League, by the way, is that well-known son of Dews-bury. Mr Eddie Waring, who also basks in the magnificent presidency of the Shipley Wesleyan Reform Church Amateur Operatic Society.

Rugby League in the South
of England, a strictly amateur

sport, soldiers gamely on, season after season. It has been pronounced dead oo many occasions, but its fervent supporters refuse to allow the game to lie down, despite many a setback and severe tackle. Thece are five clubs functioning regularly in the south: Hackney, Ealing, Peckham, Hill-

ingdon and Portsmouth. There used to be seven, but nearoeighbours Luton and Watford fell by the wayside.

There is a team in St Albans. but their total lack of a playing convincing the local council that Sunday afteroooo rugby league should be considered a godly pursuit in a cathedral

one league might suggest a lean fixture sheet ovar a long season, but the keen exponents of the aouthern 13-a-side game eke out their matches by taking on each blows through the corridors of the rugby league offices in other as many times a year as they can manage.

Considering that the Portsmouth club bave to make a round trip on a Sunday of 150 miles in order to meet their nearest oppooents, whatever their skills they cannot be faulted for enthusiasm.

And oo the subject of zeal, the St Albans rugby leaguers, denied a council pitch, pursue training schedule that consists entirely of roadruns, and for fixtures seek away match

Fixtures are always played on Sundays because London clubs survive by playing on Greater London Council pitches—like the one on Hackney Marshes— which are used by rugby union clubs on Saturdays. And if the old antagonisms

between the different codes have not yet been buried, there is every prospect of them being laid out quite nicely shortly; for the first time ever the leading officials of both games are on talking terms with each other. As well as sbaring tha same GLC pitches, a practice that would bave been entirely unthinkable less than 10 years ago, there are already players who divide their skills and loyalties between the two codes, playing union on Saturdays and

playing union on Saturdays and league on Sundays.

Praise for this growing celationship between the two codes can be placed on the shouldars of Mr David Oxley, the 35-year-old secretary of tha professional Rugby Football League. Mr Oxley was born in Hull, cut bis teeth and was resised on rugby league, then ground is denying them entry League. Mr Oxley was born in switching to his refecee's role into the League. The St Albans Hull, cut bis teeth and was he frowned, and told me: "Ir's Charles Hargrove ARLEC is having difficulty in raised on rugby league, then always difficult to referee the

later, as assistant headmaster at a public school, learned to appreciate the 15-a-side game.

Since bis appointment as A sum total of five clubs in early this year, he has infected many with his enthusiasm and ixture sheet ovar a long season, out the keen exponents of the cautious diebards.

the rugby leagua offices in Leeds scarcely stirs a blade of grass on Hackney Marshes. Rugby league players south of the Trant pass and tackle and are tackled and play-the-ballback without so much as a men-tion on the inside back pages of their local sporting news-

What we need is publicizing," grumbled another official oo the draughty Hackney touch-line. "The general public don't even know that we bloody

He bas a point, certainly. When I bad arrived at the vast complex of soccer pitches that stretch across Hackney marshes as far as the eye can see, I asked a local ground official where the rugby league match took place each Sunday. The man bad looked at me for sevecal seconds, puzzled, and theo his hrow bad cleared. "Is thot what their game is?" he bad said. "And I always thought they were playing Irish foot-

In fact, when I did manage to locate the rugby pitch by the simple ruse of tracking down its goalposts, the ambi-ence proved to be distinctly colonial. Ealing ARLFC (Hackney's visitors that day), turned ont to be nearly all Anstralians
—and the few who weren't came from New Zealand. "I don't know wby it is, but

the Ealing players are always Aussies, every season," said John Bolton, the Southern Rugby League secretary. Then, switching to his refecee's role he frowned, and told me: "Ir's Aussies, they're all called Bruce, every one of them."

Apart from the two officials and the over-abundance of substitutes, there were no Hackney supporters on the touch-lines. Ealing, on the other hand, could boast of a handful of Sheilas and one male, who walked up and down dispensing cans of lager to all and sundry.

During the game, the Hackney officials were rather quiet, but kept up with the play by pacing tha touchline like caged foxes. It was down to one of the Aussie ladies to do most of the shouting: "The legs, Ealing, go for the legs!" she exhorted in a strong 'strine accent, and: "Come on, Ealing, you can do bettee than this!" Well, in the event, Ealing

couldn't. And against the odds, or so I was informed, Hackney ran out comfortable winners by points to six, or something like it. It was difficult to know the exact final acore, for the last five minutes of the game were played in almost total darkne

We all stumbled off towards the changing rooms and car park together; players, officials, supporters. refecee/secretary and myself. They seemed keenly aware of

having a total stranger io their midst. 'Come over to our clubbouse", they invited me. " It's in a pub, it opeos at half-past four foc us on Sundays." Alas, I had to tuch down the offer. But I shall go and watch them again. I am an emigrant from rugby league land proper, and I had enjoyed the game im-mensely. I think I might leave

things over for a week or two though. Aftar all, I don't want to appear too enthusiastic. It is officials that they are short of; and I have a sneaking suspicion that any stranger who turns up two weeks running might find himself appointed chairman of something or other.

Dear diary, are you the right one for me?

assist planning the year for everyone from anglers to nurses, teenagers to electronical angineers, yachtsmen to girl

The purpose of buying the Gentleman's Diary is to have at the fingernps the address of the Athenaeum, the Waldorf, the Institute of Directors, and, of course, the Country Gentle-men's Association. With this diary in his pocket, a man can always be sure of the vintage years for port, the ingredients of a screwdriver cocktail, and the closed season for fallow deer, hare, snipe, otters and

A gentleman's wife may plan the engagements for the months ahead with the help of the Lady's, Vogue. Woman's Own. Good Housekaeping or Cordon Bleu diaries. But the less housebound may well be consulting their Business Woman's Diary, which reminds there are about 14 Czecb Korunas to the pound, and that the avecage weight of someooe five-foot and over 30 is eight stone eight pounds. The children of these gentle-

men and business women are ed chairman of liable to turn to the Puffin Readers Diary. At the beginning of this tha diarist fills in "favourite smell", "worst phobia".

Next year is a good one for and, in a school section, "most diaries. They come in shapes ghastly subject"; oddly enough, and sizes to fit every pocket and desk, ofteo with extras such as road maps, pencils and ribbon markers. And they come in specialized versions to readily available that "An readily available that "An elephant's heart beats only 25 times a minute", that a goldfish diet should not include ant's eggs, and that "Rugby" means a fort frequented by rooks ".

The average diary, produced hy Letts, Collins or Smith (T. J. oc W. H.), is for family cousumption. But this is yet another aspect of publishing that bas its "underground" counterpart. underground counterpart.
The radical publishers, Pluto Press, have produced an iotri-guing Big Red Diary which avoids Saints' Day and instead commemorates events happening on the equivalent day in 1945 sucb as striking dockers in Birkenhead and bearings of the Un-American Activities Committee in Washington. The openiog section is bandy for details on health bazards at work, equal pay for women, council bousing, conduct when arrested, and claiming supplementary benefits Woman's Diary, which reminds -not that those on supplement-tary benefits will feel able to splash out on the Big Red Diary, which costs 75p.

Exactly who will read a £1.65 publication from Gold Star is revealed by the title Sex Maniac's Diary. All you need to know about this wock's level of sophistication is that sex maniacs don't fill in addresses, they fill

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EMPORARY LULL

here would be only one reason be anything but bappy at the rospect of a Christmas lull in Provisional IRA's campaign i killing, maiming and destruc-on of property. That reason ould be that a British governent bad in return met inditions which implied that it as losing its political will to refeat the IRA campaign or that was depriving itself of the eans to do so.

Mr Merlyn Rees's statement in ply to the IRA's overtures voids that impression. For the ontinuity of its ten-day lull it ad required "a cessatinn of gressive military activity by rown forces", an end to all ids and barassments, and no atry by the police into "areas bere they are not accepted". o that Mr Rees bas said that o specific undertakings will be iven, but that "the actions of the accurity forces will be lated to any activity which may ccur". That is a safe reply. xcept that it does not put beyond ount thet the essential tasks of iw enforcement must not cease 1st because the IRA is temorarily lying low. And the ssential tasks of law enforceent include detection of crime, ne search for illegally held arms nd explosives, and the arrest f suspected criminals.

As for the IRA's proposals for permanant ceasefire which night follow on the successful onclusion of its temporary truce, Ar Rees said that the Govern-nent had neither discussed nor onsidered any proposals. He onfined himself to observing hat "a genuine and sustained essation of violence would reate over a period a new ituation". It would, but the ituation is one that would bave o be exploited with great

The IRA's war aims include he condition that the British

wishes of the people there. There is un evidence that the IRA bas dropped, or ever would drop, that condition to any settlement agreed by it. The condition cannot be accepted; and if any British government were seen to he interested in it, it would swiftly lose control of the situation in Ulster where bloodshed could be expected on a scale mucb larger than anything

witnessed so far. There are nn grounds for political parleys with tha Provisional IRA. Any suspension of killing by them can be welcomed for what it is. Certain limited, tactical, non-political responses can be tried to prolong these lulls so far as possible. But no deal can be done with the IRA, and none should he attempted, until that organization is so weakened as to ba defeated, or until it finally becomes sickened by its own murderous methods and unmistakably abandons hostilities.

The IRA is unlikely to be reducad to either of those conditions so long as it is nourished by hope that its terrorism is denting the will of the British government and people. It thrives on concessions. Ulster Protestants know that, which is why they are so suspicious of conciliatory moves by United Kingdom ministers in which they find signs of overt or covert con-

cessions to the IRA. Some of them have been taking that view of the compensation payments just made to the relatives of the thirteen boys and men shot dead in Londonderry on January 30, 1972. The soldiers who fired or might bave fired the shots were exculpated by Lord Widgery. No legal liability to pay compensation bas been accepted or ought to be. On the other hand Lord Widgery found that none of the dead were proved to have been shot while covernment abdicates its handling a firearm or bomb, responsibilities in Northern though there were strong suspireland irrespective of the cions that some of them bad been

doing so earlier in the afternoon and others had been closely aup-

porting them. On the republican side it is believed with passion that a deep wrong was done by the army that day. On this side it must be admitted that there was military over-reaction to a vicious riot, that the over-reaction had tragic consequences, and that some at least of the dead died by misadventure. In all the circumstances it was right to make ex gratia payments, though it would be naive to expect much recipro-cation of "the spirit of good will and conciliation" in which they

were offered. Another irritant is the large sums in damages that are being won in the Northern Ireland courts by republicans who have been unlawfully maltreated at the hands of the security forcas. If there is public money to be flung around it should go to the victims of the IRA not its

sympathizers ". In the first place, there are comprehansive arrangements for all those in Northern Ireland who suffer criminal injuries and for the dependents of those killed in terrorist incidents. Some £11m has been paid out since 1968 to over 10,000 persons. The widows and children of soldiers who are killed on duty are covered by the Defence Department. The rates were raised earlier this year, and most of tha money comes in the form of a pensinn. There is a good case for saying more should be done for them, but it is quite wrong to say that they are less generously treated than the recipients of ex gratia payments.

But the main reason for swallowing resentment is that even, perbaps especially, in conditions of suppressed civil war the constitutional government must not let go of the principles of law and equity in its treat-ment of all citizens alike. Those are after all an important part of the ground on which it stands and fights.

SALARIES HIGH AND LOW The Government's treatment of committee proposes), concerned wo pay reviews published esterday illustrates the problems of incomes policies whether iortatory or statutory. The eachers have assurance of their ward in full, while the judges, he permanent secretaries and he admirals must make do with delayed implementation of an award that already fell short of lying restoring the decline in their fortunes since 1969. The Chairman of the Post Office rightly rejects the ide corporation and others who sit on the hoards of nationalized industries (where the competition which bave moved more slnwly. from the private sector is much The important point of contenmore pressing) are a problem

that the Government has not felt able to face just at Christmas time, appearance of Houghton report has ended an irritating period when the promise of having their salaries treated as a special case was not enough to prevent some teachers from letting their impatience get the better of them. At least nnw the Scottish teachers, if they resume sanding their pupils hame, will know wbat they are complaining about. The first signs are that in Scotland they are still not satisfied, but that the representatives of teachers in England and Wales are able to since May 24.

recognize a bandsome proposal when they see nue. One reason why some teachers were suspicious was a misunderstanding of the report's relationsbip with threshold payments. As they have all received £229 since the committee was set up, it was feared that there might not be much more to come. In fact the report is a nnce-for-all exercise of pupil-teacher ratios over the (or once-for-seven-years, as the

The Church's needs

Christian leaders.

ment.

From the Reverend Michael Harper

From the Reverend Michael Harper Sir, The present financial crisis in the Church of England (and other denominations) should be seen for what it is, a vote of no confidence by a great many lay people in the Church itself. For some years now lay people have heen subjected to a stream of church knocking by Christian leaders.

They have been told by a former

executive Bishop of the Anglican Communion that the Church as an

is as unreasonable to expect

our hard-pressed laity to give sacrificially to the Church under these

circumstances as it would be to expect shareholders to sink more money into a company, the directora of whom assure them that bank

ruptry is just around the corner.

The truth must be known—thet wherever the Church is doing its

ioh properly—there is seldom a finoncial crisis, and indeed often a

good surplus to give eway. The lairy today want a strong faith to live by, a firm lead in spiritual and

sonal problems and needs.

past decade has reached the with wbether the profession was getting what it deserved on May 24 this year. Anything that bas come its way since as a result of inflation or otherwise is something extra. Barring the possibility of a freeze, the regular Burnham settlement next April will give teachers a further chance to make up for inflation, The report deals with the underrelationship between teachers' tasks and rewards, and the rewards of other gronps. It comparison should be with wage rates in general, rather than with professional and salaried rates,

tion in the profession is whether it is right to award so much more to senior staff than to those who are at the beginning of their careers: a bigber percentage of a higher salary. It is right, and it bas been needed for some time. Teaching needs a more satisfactnry career structure in which experience and responsibility are properly rewarded, and as the report shows awards over the past ten years have graatly narrowed the gap between senior and junior staff (in fact the latter have almost kept pace with the movement of salaries generally).
Thrashold payments, which are at
a flat rate, bave still further improved their relative position

The picture the report gives nf the state of the profession is rather less black than some that bave been painted. There is no overall shortage of teachers, nor any increase in tha number who laave the profession early, nor any strong cause for disquiet about the quality of entrants. A steady improvement

point where the targets of future numbers are being revised downwards. Of course it is true that there are many schools whose problems are so great that they find it hard to recruit staff and harder to keep them. But special difficulties need special solutions, and the large awards made earlier this year for teachers working in London and in problem schools should have gone far towards doing so. The same considerations apply in Scotland, where a further agreement over problem schools further involving higher pay and extra schools, is now under discussion. In fect the report prompts the

wider question of whether the country can afford to pay nearly 30 per cent more to any group, however deserving. It is not difficult, when faced with the question whether to pay admirals annther £6,000 a year each, to endorse Mr Wilson's judgment that if it can be afforded at all it certainly cannot be afforded all at onca. In a crisis the most highly paid are the best able to make sacrifices, quite apart from the political question of what the National Union of Mineworkers would think, and do, if they did not. But of course the total sum awarded to the teachers is far greater than the total proposad in the tnp salaries report. On a rational assessment, it must be true that the nation can afford neither the one nor the other. A Government sat nn a determined pnlicy of restraining inflation would be justified in scaling down both. But in the context of the social contract and the special case, the teachers bave a tolerable claim to what has been offered. If examples are to be made, they should start at the

such church in Bristol, which a few years ago was declared redundant, this year gave eway about £10,000

this year gave eway about £10,000 to a erseas missions.

The major exception to all this is those areas, particularly in innercity and industrial areas, where the Church is unusually weak in human and material resources. But this problem cannot be overcome until the whole Church (not just the clergy), hegin in treat Britain as a missionary situation, and move, wherever possible, to where the need is greatest.

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Our financial crisis is the inevitable result of a faith crisis which has heen with us for some years. The Church needs more faith, not more money. When the faith crisis is solved, the money will take care

Communion that the Church as an institution will be finished by the 1980s. They heve beard theologians expressing doubts about basic Christian truths. end more recently devying them altogether. We have meny prophets of gloom, who see the future of the Church chiefly in terms of political end social involvement. Yours sincerely, MICHAEL HARPER, Director, Fountain Trust, 23 Spencer Road

East Molesey, Surrey.

Public lending right

From Mr Alistair Horne Sir. When Mr Hugh Jenkins gave his pre-electoral undertaking that legislation on Public Lending Right (PLR) would be introduced by the end of this year, it seemed as if vice and introduced by the end of this year, it seemed as if vice and introduced by the end of this year, it seemed as if vice and introduced by the end of this year, it seemed as if vic-tory—and justice—might be in sight after a generation of struggle by authors. Your leader "The Bill Comes First, the Scheme Later" suggests, however, that all may still

moral issues, and clergy who bave a compassionate understanding and ability to help them in their perhe chimara.
The "purchase based right" a single payment offered by the Minister as an alternetive to the Over the past ten years I hava travelled all over Britain speaking in churches of all denominations. sampling scheme" favoured by authors may well be easier for poli-ticians to comprehend, and easier As I bave seen churches majoring nn priorities such as these, so their finencial commitment changes. One

for administrators to administer. But it looks like being extremely uofair to authors for fiscal reasons, if no other. It is a reasonable as-sumption that libraries will pur-chase an author's new work soon after its first eppearance, almost certainly during the three years over which royalries may now be spreed out for tax purposes—yet readers could continue to take that book out of libraries for the rest of the author's lifetime.

of the author's lifetime.

On this basis, the "single payments" mede to an author would come in a lump et a time when his earning is at a peak, and attracting the highest rate of income tax. Thus, instead of helping him over the lean periods (which for some can be very long indeed) when he must needs it—and while his book is still heing read out of the libraries—part or much of hia PLR birthright could simply vanish back inm the Treasury's bottomless pockets.

This must be grossly unfair, par-

This must be grossly unfair, par-ticularly at a time when authors are suffering as much as—if not more than—other workers from a combination of inflation and governmental policy. Real earnings of authors have sunk abysmally in recent years, and they do not receive "thresbold" rises. On up of this, they as a group are to he especially bard hit if the Government persists with its iniquinusly inequitable proposal for a sharp inequitable proposal for a sharp increase in the rate of National Insurance payments by the self-employed—which, by definition, embraces almost all of them.

I am, etc. ALISTAIR HORNE, Membury House, Ramshury. Wiltshire

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Britain and the Middle East: political advertisements Is it philanthmpy to help Israel to colonize Arab land; to dispossess Arab owners; to swamp the Arab population of Jerusalem with alieo Jewish settlers; in disfigure and encircle Arab Jerusalem with ugly fortress-like apartment blocks for immigrants from Russia and elsewhere; and to consolidate its illegal occupation and in defy Security Council resolutions which call upoo Israel to withdraw from the territories seized in 1967 and to desist from all attempts to chaoge their status?

Finally, is it right that gifts which have this effect and which thus run counter to the policy of successive British Governments in the search

for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East abould be exempt from taxation in this country and thus be subsidized by other British taxpayers

who disapprove of Israel's annexa-tionist policies?

The subsequent controversy which has developed over the advertisement has also raised the important question of the freedom of debate.

question of the freedom of depart.
We support the position taken in
your leader of December 14. The
extreme reaction from Zionist supporters shows how much this
freedom is in danger when matter
critical of Israel is published in the

From Mr Philip Goodhart, Conser-

rative MP for Bromley Beckenham

Sir. It is true, as the advertisement

by the "Committee for Justice in the Middle East" (December 11)

alleges, that the Jewish community

in Great Britain has contributed

millions of pounds over the past 25 years to charities in Israel. It is

equally true that a formight's oil revenue from Saudi Arabia, Libya and Kuwait could provide sufficient

funds for the material compensa-tion and resettlement of every Arah

Palestinian refugee.

It is true, as Mr John Reddaway writes (December 18), that many of the 750,000 Jews who have moved to Israel from Arab lands is seemally.

went there voluntarily. It is equally true that many Jews who stayed be-hind, particularly in Syria, Iraq and

Libya, have suffered savagely. It is also true that many of the 750,000

Arabs who left Israeli territory in 1948 went voluntarily because of instructions given by the Arab. National Committee at that time.

It is true, as Sir Michael Hadow writes (December 14), that the British taxpayer bas contributed millions of pounds to the relief of

minions of pounds to the relief of Arah refugees in the past 25 years. Between 1950 and 1973 British taxpayers contributed \$128,574,254 to UNRWA. It is equally true that during the same period successive British governments made no direct

British governments made no direct

contribution to the cost of resettling Jewisb refugees from Arab countries

in Iarael.

In the past 25 years contributions from tha Jewish community in Britain have helped to integrata Jewish refugees into the mainstream of Israeli life. During the same period, the contribution of British tarnayers to IMPWA her has been present the contribution of British tarnayers.

taxpayers to UNRWA has been

used, unfortunately, to stop the inte-gration of Arab refugees into the life of the Arab countries where

they now live.

It would be true to say that over

the years the Israeli Government's handling of this double refugee problem in the Middle East bas been

humanitarian achievement of con-

siderable proportions and a political disaster. Meaowhile the Arab Gov-ernments' handling of this same

refugee problem bas been a humeni

triumph.

Yours faithfully,

December 18.

PHILIP GOODHART,

From Mr Chester Erskine

House of Commons.

disaster hut a political

press in this country. Yours faithfully, FRANK HOOLEY.

DAVID WATKINS,

December 17.

House of Commons.

From the Director of the Jewish National Fund Sir, Dr M. R. Mehdi (December 19)

presides over o committee which asks for justice in the Middle East. Since justice must be hased on truth and

justice must he hased on truth and not on misrepresentation, it is to be regretted that he misleads your readers by alleging that the Jewish National Fund is guilty of contravening the laws of charity.

The true facts are that this fund transmits moneys to Israel through the JNF Charitable Trust, a company limited by guarantee, officially recognized by the Charity Commissioners and which annually renders its schedules to Inland Revenue accountschedules to Inland Revenue accounting for moneys spent. It therefore operates strictly in accordance with the charitable laws of this country, as do all recognized charities which contribute to the relief of poverty overseas.

overseas.

The Jewisb National Fund for Great Britain and Ireland is primarily responsible for land development in Israel in those territories clearly defined by the Green Line, ie, within the pre-1967 horders. Such development comprises reclamation of land which has been neglected for centuries and which in many incenturies and which, in many instances, bas not known human historiation since the second and third centuries of the Christian era.

The transformation of the Arava,

stretching from the Dead Sea to Eilat, which has been virtually virgin soil since the days of the Nahateans, is a typical example of such reclama-tion. The new settlements in Northern Galilee along the Lebanese border bave been established on land border bave been established on and reclaimed by the Jewish National Fund which has at no time in buman history been inhabited.

The control of flood waters, the

building of dams and reservoirs, the introduction of various types of irri-gation, is another contribution of the Jewish National Fund to soil productivity converting what the Arabs call "dead land" into fruitful areas of cultivation. In addition to these forms of land development, the Jewish National Fund has been responsible for the planting of over 150 million trees in a land which bas been denuded of its once flourishing forests by the ravages of conquerors and the neglect of earlier inhebitants.

Finally, Dr Mehdi needs to be informed that the Jewish National Fund is an independent body not a subsidiary of the Jewish Agency, and is answerable to its own board of directors

Armed with these facts, Dr Mehdi should have had second thoughts hefore expending the resources of this committee on an expensive press advertisement when such money could have been directed to home charities which are his obvious concern.

Yours faithfully, ISAAC LEVY, Director, Jewish National Fund, Rex House, 4-12 Regent Street, SW1. December 19.

From Mr F O. Hooley, Labour MP for Sheffield, Heeley, and Mr D. Watkins, Labour MP for Consett Sir, The controversial advertisement published in *The Times* on December 11 dealt with an important matter the flow of tax-exempt donations from this country to Israel. But, in our opinion, it did so in the wrong way. It asked: "Shnuldn't Britain come first?" That is not the point. The effect of this outflow of money on this country is a minor issue and highly debatable. The real question is: What happens to these funds at the other end—in Israel and Pelestine?

People in Britain who donate funds to Israel no doubt do so from the highest motives. But they need to ask themselves what is the effect of their generosity. Does it hinder peace? Does it help Israel to main-tain its illegal and oppressive occupation of the Arab territories. seized in 1967? Even if they are assured that their gifts are being used exclusively in Israel itself and not in the occupied territories, this is only playing with words. The effect then is that their money is freeing other funds for Israel to use in the occupied territories.

Westminster Cathedral

From Monsignor F. J. Bartlett
Sir, It was gratifying to read in
the letter of December 20, from so
many diatinguished musicians, how
much the Westminster Cathedral
Cboir is appreciated. If they are
dismayed at the prospect of its disappearance, you can imagine what

eppearance, you can imagine what a grief ibis would be in the Cardinel,

a grief into would be in the Cardnel, Clergy and people of the Cathedral itself. Lest it he thought that decisions have heen taken in haste or thet the Choir is regarded es of little importance, it must be emphasized that the sole reason for think-

choir

bave been no less than three appeals for funds, of which none was suc-

Sir, While respecting Miss Slee's opinion (The Times. Dec 18) regarding Arabs and Jews, I would like to correct her gently when she speaks of the Arabs being more "purely

Meanwhile we have introduced longer heat the Cathedral on week-days. The Clergy receive little more than their hoard and lodgings. The savings thus made do not enable us to pay our way.

It is obvious thet we cannot con-tinue to employ professional singers unless we have the resources to pay them. If your correspondents have any proposala to make which would enable us to keep the present Choir in heing, we shall he moat grateful to receive them. I have the honour to he, ing of dishanding the Choir is lack of money to pay the choristers.

Every effort has been made to avoid what would he a grave hlow to the liturgical life of the Cathedral, and indeed the whole country. There

Your ohedient servant, F. J. BARTLETT, Administrator, Westminster Cathedral, 42 Francis Street, SWL December 20.

Saturday, Sunday, Monday From Mr Barry M. Brown
Sir, The reason for the failure of the American production of "Soturday, Sunday, Monday", is three-fold:

fold:

First the critics, I repeat the critics, did not like the play itself. They praised the production and the performances but dismissed the play as inconsequential.

Second, American eudiences are not radically different from any other audiences. They respond to plays which either amuse them, that is they can laugh at others problems, precisely because they are not their own, or they respond because they can relete m the people not their own, or may respond because they can relete m the people on stage. And, of course, they respond when moved dramanically. Coupla these with the fact that the production must be first-class: American audiences will rarely the product chaddy crafts manabin.

tolerate shoddy craftsmanabip.

Thirdly, a lack of foresight and judgment on the part of some members of the creative team; or should the hlame rest with their agents?
An inordinately large slice of the pie was paid out to people on sud off stage, resulting in a ludicrously high weekly operating cost. Had

this weekly operating figure heen lower, it might have heen possible to run the play for several edditional weeks to allow for word of mouth reection by the public, for tha audiences were enjoying it immensely. But we had alreedy raised (and spent) the \$300,000 capitalization and it was simply too expensive a play to keep running.

Finally end equally important, is that in order to accure the services of Franco Zeffirelli as director, end I would not have done it without him, we had to adhere to his time schedule. This meant no out of town break in period and only eight pre-view performances in New York before the official opening. A lesson learnt. I will never produce another play which opens cold in New York.

It it alwaya sad when s play closes prematurely, but if everyone concerned bas learnt from the experience, then perbaps it is not all for naught. Not to learn from our mistakes would he tha real sadness.

Yours faithfully, BARRY M. BROWN, c/o The Savoy Hotel, WC2. December 13.

Semitic " than the Jews. I think she is under the mistaken notion, a comis under the mistaken notion, a common mistaken notion, that the Semines are a race of people, whan in fact a Semile is any people helonging to the Semile language group, of which Hebrew, the language of Israel, is and has always been one, in the same manner that Miss Slee (if she is English) is a member of the Indo-European language group and particularly of the Germanic branch of that division, and not s

branch of that division, and not s member of an Indo-European race. Further, the Jews in spite of popular misconception are not a race but an aggregate of many races (see Encyclopaedin Britannico) as anthropologists have established.
What the Jews are is a religious
culture, and ooe which has spawned
both Christian and Muslim religious

To he accurate, then, people who choose to hate Jews, should be re-ferred to as and Jewish, and people who hale Arahs as anti-Arab, and neither as anti-Seminic.

CHESTER ERSKINE. 80 Chesterfield House, Chesierfield Gardens, W1. December 18.

From Mr Terence Prittie

Sir, The ed.10r of the Uncsco Courier, S. M. Koffler, states categorically (December 16) that Israel has not been excluded from Unesco or from any of its regional groups". Later oo, io the same letter, he writes "A1 the last General Conference Israel intro-duced a request to he listed in the European reginnal group. This was

turned down".

These two statements are in total contradiction with one another. Israel has been excluded from the European regional group. One must assume that S. M. Koffler's misstatement is due to a lack of understanding of the English language. What he meant was that Israel has not heen "ejected" from Uoesco or any regional group. Israel's exclusing from the European group remains a disgraceful piece of discrimination, for which there is no reasonable defence. The letter of protest from Sir Julian Huxley and others (December 5) was fully justified.
Yours faithfully,

TERENCE PRITTIE, Britain and Israel, 15 Uxbridge Street, W8.

From Miss Huboob Al Mudhaffer Sir, The stream of letters in your Sir, The stream of letters in your columns decrying the advertisement on hehalf of the Committee for Justice in the Middle East illustrates yet again the narrowness of scope for arguing the Arab case without being immediately accused of anti-semicism or racialism. Surely the Zionist stance is unique in that of all political movements, it is the of all political movements, it is the only one capable of turning a politi-cal argument into a racialist one and of heing incapable of recognizing that an opposing view on polidical criteria must be judged in this context rather than be manipulated, as is too often the case, into repre-

senting an anti-semitic one.

There is a large hody of opinion within Israel itself which is opposed to the Zionist aims of the state yet to accuse that body of aotisemitism is too ridiculous to merit attention. By the same token therefore, can not the same argument against Zionism he pursued outside Israel without heing immediately smeared by that all too powerful weapon of hlackmail—anti-semitism? Yours faithfully, Yours faithfully. HUBOOB AL MUDHAFFER,

10 Ashley Gardens, SW1. December 16.

From Mr S. Mirzo Sir, In your leader of December 14 you would appear to accept that "Israel suffers the threat of destruction". This is no more than a myth, whereas the reality is this that Palestiniens as a nation have already been destroyed. already been destroyed. Yours faithfully.

S. MIRZA, 76 Gloucester Street, SWL December 16.

University finances From Professor R. A. Weale

Sir, While your timely leader gives a fairly halanced survey of the strategy of the infletionary inroada into university finance, it leeves the tactical details unmentioned.

One of the problems which we corporals who heve to execute the ractical field manoeuvres ordered from on high notice with interest is thet the Government cleerly beis thet the Government cleerly believes universities to consist only
of academic staff. When the Government decrees thet the London
Allowance shall be whatever it shall
be they provide e supplementary
grant for such staff. But whereas
the decree covers also secretarial,
technical, and encillary staff, the
grant does not. This is also true
of threshold payments.

As Clive Jenkins moves his

As Clive Jenkins moves his minions nearer and nearer the time when, es in the United States, our universities are gning to dispense with technical assistants, their rise in new is not meanwhile recovered. in pey is not meanwhile recouped from either the Government or some gullible consumer. It is obtained at the expense of the unfilled ecademic posts to which you, Sir, have drawn attention.

attention.

I dn not suppose ministers and their under-secretaries would wish to conduct the affairs of state in conditions in which they have to type their own letters and reports, end themselves search for the evidence with which to hack them uo (not to mention that they would not wish to brew cups of coffee). Yet the Government do not seem to realize that their lop-sided grant system—if system it can be called system—if system it can be called
—means that the one-fingered
typists go through the mechanics of typists go through the mechanics of keeping universities on the move while heing hardly able to find the time to think why they should do so. One might be pardoned for thinking that it is the lstter function for which they are supposedly could oaid.

Yours feithfully. R. A. WEALE, Department of Visual Science, University of London

Economic threat to our way of life

From Mr Michnel Spicer, Conserva-tire MP for Worcestershire, South Sir, During Tuesday's dehate in Parliament on the Finance Bill, I said "I am convinced that sooner or later there will have to be some form of national coalition govern-ment". Perhaps I might be permit-ted to summarize my reasoning. led to summarize my reasoning, which has been open to some

misinterpretation.

At the root of my argument lies the belief that our current rates of inflation and net foreign horrowing inflation and net foreign horrowing will lead inevitably 10 a total collapse of the exchange value of the pound and of the Stock Market, and possibly therefore to an internal failure of the currency of Weimar Republic proportions. The threat is not merely to our living standards, but to our basic institutions and our way of life.

The present Government's anti-

The present Government's anti-The present Government's andinflatinnary attrategy relies upon the
social contract. With the rise in
wage rates now running et over
26 per cent, this policy is totally
meaningless. Theoretically, there
are now only two courses left open: a statutory incomes policy, or severe

The events of this year-particudeflation. The events of this year—particularly the failure of the electorate in February to support an incomes policy—have effectively removed one of these options. The democratic choice has been made. Massive unemployment and hankruptcies are deeply regrettable, but now inevitable. Many of us said in February that this would be the result of a Cooservative defeat—and

we were right. Recognition of these facts is now essential for three reasons: the quicker nnemployment comes (and the less shilly-shallying there is about it by politicians), tha less protracted and the more effectively anti-inflationary it will he; the more decisive and unified is the Government, the better-prepared will people he psychologically and the less chance there will he of major social disruption; finally, it is only once the policy of deflation has been accepted that complementary action accepted that complementary action, auch as the launching of massive retraining schemes—in anticipatinn of hetter days ahead—will be taken.

It is because I believe that the present Government will not be able or prepared to take the necessary responsibility on its own, that I am convinced it will have to be shared between the parties.

There is, however, a more fundamental reason why coalition government is required in the present circumstances. In order for our country to come through the appal-ling year which lies ahead bettarling year which lies ahead bettar-prepared to face the future, there must be a dramatic switch in our national priorities, away from an obsession with the distribution and the spending of wealth, towards the problem of creating it first. The responsibilities of introducing pain-ful policies which will substantially increase investment at the expense increase iovestment at the expense of private and government speeding will not. I believe, be borne alone hy this Government.

Above all, there is a desperate

need for a restoration of our national self-coofidence and sense of unity. This cannot he brought about among our leaders. The time has come for the bickering to stop and for a shared programme leading to national revival to begin. The alternational revival to begin. native may not be merely to prolong the present bad times, but to destroy nur free way of life. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL SPICER,

House of Commons. December 20.

Wealth tax and art dealers

From Mr Leslie Waddington
Sir, Like Mr George Levy, I am opposed to the intended Wealth Tax. If it is not tax allowable against earned income it will mean that people owning and huilding up their own husinesses will be peying relaown husinesses will he peying relatively more tax than their counterparts in the rest of the community.

But I feel Mr Levy is exaggerating when he suggests that many leading dealers and auctioneers will move the centre of their operations ahroad. I know many of them and they will stay here whatever form the proposed Wealth Tax takes. From what I have heard tax havens are horing places and attract people of a similar asture. of a similar nature. Yours faithfully, LESLIE WADDINGTON,

The Waddington Galleries, 2 Cork Street, W1. December 17.

Defence cuts From the General Secretary of the

Labour Party Sir, Your report todey (December 19) covering events at yesterdey's meeting of the Labour Party National Executive Committee ettributes statements to the Foreign Secretary of defences. on the subject of defence.

on the subject of defence.

This portion of your report i inaccurate. Unfortunately, since thi was a private meeting, it is not possible for me in counter your version with a text of Mr Callagham's remarks, but your readers should know that the quotation from the Foreign Secretary is not accurate and is, as e result, misleading. Yours faithfully, RON HAYWARD, Transport House. Transport House, Smith Square, SW1.

Tail first

From Mr R. Sharp
Sir, After the sad debacle of th
Second Test in Australia, one wot
ders why the Captain does not tr
reversing the order of batting. Thi
would beve three potential henefits first, the main run-scorers would be put in early and could take the steam out of the Australian attack secondly, the howlers, by battine early in the innings, would have longer period to recover before being required to bowl; thirdly, th tail could be expected to wag r spectably in the face of tiring Au: tralian howlers. Yours faithfully,

R. SHARP, Fair Oaks, Tilford, Farnham, Surrey



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December 20: Mr A. J. Eastman
was received in audience by The
Queen this morning and kissed
hands upon bis appolotment as
Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipoteotiary for
the Commonwealth of Australia at
Mayica City. Mexico City.

Mrs Eastman had the nonnur of being received by The Queen. of being received by The Queen.
Mr N. A. I. French was received
In audience by The Queen and
Lissed hands upon his appointment
as Gorernor and Commander-toCotef of the Falkland Islands and
Governor of South Georgia and
the British Antarrite Territories.

Mrs. Franch had the honour of Mrs Freoch had the bonour of heing received by Her Majesty. Dr Ralph Southward had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon reliquishing his appuniment as Apothecary to The

honour of being received by Her Majesty upon reliaquishing his appunnment as Apothecary to The Queeo.

Commander Mirhael Wall, Ry, had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon reliaquishing his appointment as Assistant Kesper of the Privy Purse.

The Hon E. Gough Whitlam (Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia) and Mrs Whitlam bad the honour of being invited to luncheon with The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh.

Her Majesty arrired at Windsor Second son of Mr and Mrs Grahame.

Castle this afternoon. His Royal Highness was represented by Mr James Orr at the Funeral of Mr Kurt Habn, which took place today at Salem Chapel, Baden, Germany.

Her Majesty arrived at Windsor

Birthdays today

Sir Robert Armitage, 68; Sir Arthur Benson, 67; Air Comman-dant Dame Jean Bromet, 62; Lord Caccia, 69; Sir Norman Cadzow, 62; Sir Francis Cook, 67; Vice-Admiral Sir Raymond Hawkins, 65; Lord Justice Lawton, 63; Sir Leslie H. Martin, 74; Mr W. M. M. Leslie H. Martin, 74; Mr W. M. M. Milligan, 67; Most Rev Dr John A. Morpby, 69; Sir Kenneth O'Connor. 78; Mr Anthony Powell, 69; Flight Lieutenant W. Reid, VC. 53; Dame Rebecca West, 82. IGMORROW: Air Marshal Sir John Aiken, 53; Dame Peggy Ashcroft, 67; Dr Alan Bush, 74; Sir Diarmaid Conroy, 61; the Right Rev Cyril Eastaugb, 77; Air Marshal Sir Colin Hannah, 10; Alr Vire-Marshal Sir Edgar Loke, 69; Sir Alec Valentine, 75; Tolonel W. H. Whitbread, 74.

Marriages

VIAITIAGES

VIE R. Page

and Miss L. Wagner

Fig marriage took place on
jaturday, December 14, at the
Queeo's Chapel at St James's, nf
Vir Robert Page and Miss Lucy
Wagner. Canon J. S. D. Mansel
officiated. The bride, who was
avea in marriage by her father,
if Anthony Wagner, was attended
by Miss Kathleen Page. Mr
vilichael Page was hest man. A
reception was held at Vintuers'
fall.

Ir M. Gent and Miss E. Magee
The marriage took place on Jecember 14 in London between fr Maurire Gent, younger son of the late Mr and Mrs 5. H Gent, if Folkestone, and Miss Lileen lagee, younger daughter of the ste Mr Brian Magee and of Mrs L. Magee, of London, Nio.

. S. Jackson nd Mrs E. N. Martin

he marriage took place quietly n November 23 at St Martin's hurch, Windermere, between Mr ohn Stuart Jackson and Mrs Ilzaheth Nora Martio, of Holumbe, Lancashire, widow of Dr homas Young Martin.

tr J. Minchigton d Miss J. Jenkins d Miss J. Jenkins de marriage took place recently Kensington between Mr John

Coday's engagements

shlbidon: George III, collector and patron, The Queeo's Gal-tery, Buckingham Palace, 11-5. rinsb Theatre Museum, Leighton House, 12 Houland Park Road, W, 11-5 scond World War aircraft exhibi-

tion, Skyfame Aircraft Museum, Staverton airport, Cheltenham, story of Christmas in poetry, prose and music, the Cumber-land Consort of Voices, West-minster Abbey, 7. Ecture: Prehistoric man in Europe, lecture hall, British Museum (Natural History), South Kendington 3.

Kensington, 3.

omorrow volbinon: The real Dad's Army.

including weapons, equipment, documents and photographs relading to the Home Guard, Imperial War Museum, Lambeth, 2.5.30. chibidon: Airship and aircraft drawings by C. Rupert Moore, Imperial War Museum, Lambeth,

ristmas service with readings and carols, accompanied by brass band, St Giles Cripplegate, Bar-bican, City of London, 3. ty walk: Sherlock Holmes and other matters, meet Baker Street station (Baker Street side), 3.

atest wills

test estates include (net. before ty paid; further duty may be yable on some estates): yable on some estates:
inan, Violet Sybil. of Broadstairs
uty paid, £24,321) ...£109,588
poreman, Mr Jan, of Wisbech
uty paid, £21,346) ...£227,279
and, Margaret Ada, of Easturne (duty paid, £43,545)
£124,227

atkins, Mr George Arthur, of xleybeath (duty paid, £17.50S)

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Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. P. Drummond and Miss A. C. Scott The engagement is announced and the marriage will shortly take and the marriage trall shortly take place in Tokyo hetween Peter Drummond, only son of the late Air Marshal Sir Peter Drummond, KCB, DSO, MC, and Lady [Isohel] Drummond, of 5 Victoria Gardens, W11. and Angela, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerald Scott, of Orchard House, High

Mr T. R. Earr and Miss V. S. Lloyd Owen The engagement is announced between Timothy Rowand, son of the late Mr Drew Barr and of Mrs Bahette Barr, of Tonbridge, Kent, and Virginia Suzy, third daughter of the late Mr and Mrs John Lloyd Owen, of Wilmslow, Cheshire.

Mr M. H., Bowack
and Miss J. V. Whitfield
The engagement is announced
between Michael Hamilton
Bowack, son of the late Pilot
Officer N. H. Bowack and Mrs R.
Ives and stepson of Mr R. Ives,
of Erpingham House, Erpingham,
Norwich, and Joy Verity Whitfield, younger daughter of the Rev
K. and Mrs Whitfield, of Greengates, Horbury, Yorkshite.

Mr P. H. G. Gorringe
and Miss C. Godman Irvine
The engagement is announced
between Philip Hugh Grahame,
second son of Mr and Mrs Grahame
Gorringe, of Wykeham Cottage,
Houndean Rise, Lewes, Sussex,
and Carola, younger daughter of
Mr B. Godman Irvine, MP, and
Mrs Godman Irvine, ot Great Ore
Hall, Wivelsfield, Sussex.

Mr C. C. Haselgrove and Miss C. S. B. Hughes The engagement is announced between Colin, son of Mr and Mrs Dennis Haselgrove, of Fulham, and Susanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Hughes, of Cambridge.

Mr J. R. M. Howe and Miss M. P. M. E. Howard The engagement is announced between James, only soo of Lieutenant-Commander R. M. Howe, of Clock House, Colyford, Devon, and Madeleine, daughter of Mr and Mr. Antony Howard, of 25 Tburloe Square, London, SW7.

Dr P. V. McAllister Dr P. V. McAllister
and Miss C. J. Coulthurst
The engagement Is aunonnced
hetween Paul Vincent, eldest son
of Mr and Mrs V. P. McAllister,
of Papua, New Guinea. formerly
of Beltoft, Yorksbire, and
Catherine Julia, eldest daughter
of Mr and Mrs Levick Coulthurst,
Green Hill, Thealby, South

Mr A. Privett
and Miss C. Fawcett
The engagement is announced
between Alan, youngest son of Mr
and Mrs John Privett, of Priory
Cottage, Naish, East Coker,
Somerset, and Carolin, daughter
of Mr and Mrs Edward Fawcett,
46 Priory Avenue Redford Park 46 Priory Avenue, Bedford Park, London, W4.

Mr A. F. Sim and Miss A. R. T. Aitken The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs Donald Sim. of hickley, Kent. and Antonia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Bruce Aitken, of Wilmington, Kent.

25 years ago

From The Times of Wednesday, December 21, 1949 From Our Lahour Reporter

Coal output last week was the highest in any week since June, 1940, according to provisional figures issued yesterday by the Ministry of Fuel. The total of deep-mined production was 4,566,200 tons, compared with 4,438,300 tons in the correspond-line week last year. ing week last year.

Ing week last year.

Last week was "bull week", during which the miners' efforts bave a direct bearing on the amount in their Christmas pay packets and which is nearly always the best week of a year for ontput and attendance. Opencast workings added another 215,400 tons to the week's total.

Lessons for the Magi from the shepherds

By Daniel Jenkins

It was no accident that it was to the shepherds that the angels first spoke. Shepherds played an essential part in Israei's life and, in the symbolism of the nativity story, they are represented to the faithful working people of the nation. They are simple people doing an honest joh, thinking of the flocks gathered in folds for protection against thieves and wild animals rather than of themselves. The Mediterranean night is clear and beautiful, so that visibility would be good and their perceptions alert for any unusual event. The precendence given to the shepherds is in keeping with the rest of the New Testament. Jesus thanks his Father that he has revealed the nature of the Kingdom to the simple rather than to in the symbolism of the nativity dom to the simple rather than to the learned, and sees it as appropriate that it should be the children who welcome him when he enters Jerusalem on a donkey. Paul has to remind the Corintians that God bas chosen what the world calls Its foolish things to confound the wise. This is not because the simple are more gullible than the wise. It is because they are more direct and less self-preoccupied and, being

There were wise men as well as

British Medical Association
Mr Walpole Lewin, chairman of
council, gave a luncheon on Wednesday, December 18, in Prince's
Room, BMA House, at which the
following were present:
Lero Adran. In J. C. Cameron, or
Mr N. Cys. Lorde of the fortentway
Mr N. Cys. Lorde of the fraser. Or
Ronald filbson, Or E. Cres-Turner, Or
J. S. Noble, In J. E. Miller, Sir George
pickering. Lord Partiti. Sir John
Richerdson, Sir Thomas Helmet Sellers
Dr Herek Slevanson and Or S. Wand

Mrs Armstrong
The High Commissioner for AustraU2 and Mrs Armstrong gave a
reception at Australia House last
evening in houseur of the Prime
Minister of Australia and Mrs

Whitlam. Among those present

We're: Members of the Royal Household mem-bers of the Cabinel and other ministers, leaders of the Opposition, members of parliament mambers of the Diplomatic Corps, Icaders of commune. Industry and banking.

Mrs Armstrong
The High Commissioner for Ausstralia and Mrs Armstrong gave a dinner last night at 45 Hyde Park Gate in honour of the Prime Minister of Australia and Mrs Whitlam. Among those present

WETE: The Prime Minister and Mrs Wilson, Mr James Callaghan, MP, Lord Elwyn-Jones, Mr Itenis Healey, MP, and Mrs Healey, Mr Lened Bowen, Str Morrice James. Mr end Mrs Nicholas Whitian, Mr Javid Froet, Mrs Carding, Miss Cathy Whitian and Miss Catherine Armstone,

Royal Society of St George
The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs
attended the Christmas dinner of
the City of London branch of the
Royal Society of St George in the
Mansion House last night Mr H.
Gansel Brewer was in the chair

and the other speakers were Mr Peter Walker, MP, Mr George Gibbs and Mr Frank Chapple.

Service dinner

presided

held yesterday in the Officers' Mess. Commando Training Centre,

Royal Marines, Lympstone, Exmouth, The chairman, Lieuteu-ant-Commander W. G. Phillimore,

Latest appointments include: Sir Leslie Glass, Sir Richard Beaomont and Sir John Addis are

Latest appointments

Luncheon

Leception

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very different, a long journey from a distant land through allen a distant land unrough alien country to a destination revealed only at the end. They were not the kiogs of tradition but magi, learned men, with techniques for telling the future according to the devious lore of the time, astrology and divinacion. It may be that their gold, frankincense and myrrb were not rich gifts brought by Eastern potentates but no more than the tools of their dubious trade, instruments used in their efforts to win power over people and events. If so, by offering them to Jesus, the true light, they were acknowledging that their occult arts were no longer needed and that, unlike the shepherds, their work was now fimished-

Most people who live in the metropolitanized West have more metropolitanized West have more in common with the magi than with the shepherds. They have access to great power and lead crowded, complicated and very self-presoccupied lives, leaving them lirile time in which to watch the night sky in silence. This is one reason why no angels appear to them and why their road to Bethlehem has to be so long and hard.

They must accept this. But as we kneel with the shepherds beabsorbed in an essential task, are closer to where God is likely to

shepherds in the story. Finally, they came to the same place and both knett together at the manger. But the route of the wise men was shepherds may not be capable of very different, a long journey from the calculation and the self-analysis the calculation and the self-analysis which we have to use in finding Bothlehem, but they get there first. Because of selfishness and pride, our gifts and equipment have proved as much a hindrance as a help, and they make the journey longer and slower than was neces-sory. Not all the tools of our trudes are as dubious as those of the magi, but they, too, need to be presented to Christ before we

can be trusted with their proper

The shepherds can also show us bener order of priorities. We may have more power than they, but it requires more effort to control it. The trouble is that unless we are rigilar the power itself weakens the incentive to make the effort and thus makes us its slave.

required to live on iron rations as a regular diet but, in these self-indulgent days, Christians need to see the importance of keeping close to the basic essentials of their faith so that, should the need to survive on Iron rations arise again, the shock to the system would not prove too great. Only those who do so can bandle ahundance without becoming corrupted by it.

OBITUARY

Lord Fraser of Lonsdale C.H., C.B.E., who died in a London hospital on Thursday,

aged 77, was made a life peer io July, 1958, but to the general

public he will always be remem-bered as Sir Ian Fraser for the great work be did on behalf of

St Dunstan's and the British

Few men can have rendered

greater service to the blind. As chairman of the Executive Council of St Dunstan's, a Member of the House of Commoos,

President of the British Legion,

was attached to the 1/4th Glosters. He had been in France

only a few weeks when he was blinded at the Bartle of the Somme, and on his retirement from the Army in 1917 was

ted by a VAD, who worked at

train blinded officers and men, and inviting him to go there. As a result Sir Ian's long assocition with St Dunston's hegan: be married the girl with the kid

gloves, Irene Gladys, CBE, the

Pearson's assistant at St Dun-stan's. By 1921 he bad become

his second in command and when Pearson died at the end

of that year Fraser tvas appointed, at the age of 24, chairman of Sr Dunstan's. At

first the centre of the organiza-

tion was at St Dunstan's Lodge

in Regent's Park, but as the work increased the accommoda-tion became inadequate and

new headquarters were obtained in Marylebone Road as well as

offices in South Audley Street

A convalescent home was estab-

constituency in the House of

He lost the seat in 1929 but

member of the Broadcasting

Commons.

Legion.

and successor.

out becoming corrupted by it.
Liagi cannot go back to being shepherds, but they still have need of them. Already the healing and reconciling work of Christ is visible, even around the cradle at Betaletens. If we in the West can see that there are things to re-ceive from as well as to give to the simpler people of what we arrogantly call the "under-developed" world the way is opened to real unity between us. opened to real unity between us. Even in modern Britain, if those who have elaborate formal education recognize that those of their neighbours who are more like shepherds than magi also have much to teach them, a growing rift in our own midst will be healed. We need each other and we need the best of each other. Shepherds and magi both rearlied Bethiehem in their different ways, but the chemberds sort there first bettenens in their different ways, but the shepherds got there first. If, as magi, we are as good at figuring things out as we think we are, that should show us how to help bring out the hest in shepherds.

Memorial service

Mr C. V. Connolly
A memorial service for Mr Cyril
Connolly was held at St Mary-leStrand yesterday. The Rev Edward
Thompson officiated, assisted by
the Rev Raymond Chapman. Sir
John Betjeman read the lesson,
Mr Stepben Spender gave an
address and Mr Peter Levi read
from The Unmiet Grave. Amone from The Unquiet Grave. Among

A pastel portrait of Prince Edward by Juliet The Duchess of Gloucester, as patron of the Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus, will attend a Mid Winter hall at the Dorchester borel on January 22.

Science report

Dentistry: Fluorescers in false teeth

Mme L. Bollinger

Mme Bollinger gave a dinner last
night at Quaglino's Banquetiog
Rooms in honour of the Champlon National Hunt Jockeys of the
1973-74 season, when she presented
the Bollinger Trophies to the
Champion jockey, Mr Ron Barry,
and to the leading amateur rider,
Mr Anthony Webber. The speaker
was Mr Christopher Collins. crowns and dentures shoold end hecause in some cases tissues of the mouth may be subjected to radiation doses higher than those laid down at internationally Exeter Flotilia
The annual ladies guest night
dinner of the Exeter Flotilia was acceptable.

About one person in nine is estimated to wear porcelain arti-ficial teeth, either as crowns or as part of a set of dentures. From the 1950s oowards, a mixture of uranium and cerium, as cerium oxide and either sodium uranate or uranium oxide, was used in dental porcelains to simulate the brilliant white fluorescence which natural teeth show order ultra-violet light.

to join the hoard of trustees of the Thomson Foundation. Sir Lestle, chairman of the Anglo-Rumanian Bank, is a former amhassador to the United Nadons, Sir Richard is director-general of the Middle Each Association and Work done before at various lahoratories did not identify ab-normal radiadon activity in artifi-cial dental materials and so no cial dental materials and so no provisions were written into the code of practice for protection against iomizing radiation. The difficulty was brought to the attendon of the NRPB when the British the Middle East Association, and Sir John was ambassador to Chlua before be retired.

A report from workers at the National Radiological Protection Board (NRPB) recommends that the use of uranium compounds in the manufacture of porcelain mendations for a British Standard mendations for a British Standard specification for the manufacture of porcelain for dental crowns. No dental porcelains are actually made in Britain. They are imported mainly from the United States and West Germany, where there are regulations governing the maxi-mum content of uranium in the porcelain powders.

Dr.M. C. O'Riordan and Dr G. J. Hant, of the NRPB calculated the amount of radioactivity that the tissues of the mouth in contact with the porcelain would be subjected to in one year. The most important component of the radiation is beta-particle emission, as the beta particles can disrupt cell function and cause damage to chromosomes at high enough doses. Assuming the uranium content of the porteiain to be the maximum allowed, the upper layers of the lighty of the providers of th of the lining of the mouth around the tooth could receive a dose of 2.7 rems the unit of measure-ment; whereas the internationally

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agreed limit for this type of tissue is only 1.7 rems.

Even though in practice the average dose to the population is likely to be about half the calculated figure because of the variation in uranium content hetween different porcelains, the anthors recommend that the use of radioactive finorescers should end, especially as they seem to be only partially successful in simulating the appearance of natural teeth It should be emphasized that

there are no reports of cancers of the mouth heing linked with radiation from artificial teeth, and the international limits are forum-lated to allow a wide margin of safety. But there are unknown factors in the susceptibility of tissues to radiation and unnecessary risks should always be

By Nature-Times News Service Source: Radioactive fluorescers in dental porcelains [NRPB R25,

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Rubbra), Rev W. M. Alkins. Moi. O Lord who has prepared (Darlow!; Nine Leavons and Carols. 5. El. St. Cit. Carols. 5. El. Cit. Carols. 6. L2: MP. 11. Rev Garols. 6. L2: MP. 11. Rev Garols. 6. St. P. St. Carols. 6. St. Piccadilly: HC. 2. 15. Eucharist. 9. 15. Rev W. P. Baddeley. M. 11. Rev J. L. W. Robinson: Festival of Vine Lessons and Carols. 6. St.
Advent

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC 8: M.
10.30. Canon H. Wilson, acuedictic and Jub (Purcell in B Tail: HC 11.50 in the control of the control o M. 11. &on (Purcal in C.) A. Rejeice in the Lord: Frestival of Nine Lessons and Carols. 6.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: HC &:
Famely Communion. 9.45: M. 11.15.
the Vicar: Carol Service, 6.30.
AT MARY ABBOTS. Kensington: HC
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Rev S. 15.0: Suny Euchartst. 9.30.
Rectance. A. Hards: M. 11.15. Advanced: E. 18.0: Suny Euchartst. 9.30.
Rectance. A. Hards: M. 11.15. Advanced: E. 18.0: Suny Euchartst. 9.30.
Rectance. A. Hards: M. 11.15. Advanced: E. 18.0: Rev H. L. O. Rect. Carol Service and blessing of the Crib. 6.30.
ST MARY'S aryansion Square: HC 6.30. 12: M. 11. the Rector. A. O come ya Servants i Tye; 5.30. Passiral of Nine Lessons and Carols of Nine Lessons and Carols of Nine Lessons and Carols of Carols of Lessons and Carols by Cantle links. Rectarts Christin muneral Pelestrial: Research and Carols by Cantle links. Rectarts Christin muneral Pelestrial: Research and Carols by Cantle light. Lessons and Carols by Cantle light. St. 18.1: 15. The Michael St. 18.1: 12.15. 7.15 pm; M. 11. Canen O. K. de arry: 6. Carols by Candiduphi, the Vicar piece. Knights-brid Palli. S. Rebert Adem Streel: M. 1. Rishop Coodwin Hudson: 6.30.
Canon O. K. de arry.
ST PAILL'S. Rebert Adem Streel: M. 1. Retter Michael Calonon O. K. de arry.
ST STEPHEN'S. Eatou Scuare: HC 8.15: Sung Eucharis! II 'Hovenils' Cellegium Revale: Met. Civilas sancti III 'Byrd the Rectar Reverses and Canol Reverses Rectar Rev HM Tower of Lendon: M 11. Service of Nine Lessons and Carols. HC 12.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleel Streel : public welcomed: HC 2.30. MP 11.15.

TD (Hison in E Ilai) Jub (Neble in A flat), A. O thou the contral orbivonds. the Master. Wellington Barracks. Special Walk (nublic welcomed: HC. 2. M 11. Enno: Scots Charles Rev D. M. T. Walters A. Reloire in the Lord shave 'purcelli. ROYAL HCSPITAL. Chesra (obblic admitted: HC. 2.30 ord noon: Parade Survice. 11. A. Mioe eves for beauty office (Howells). Rev J. T. K. Wood. ST CLEMENT DANES IRAP Church (subblic welcomed: HC. 8.30. 12.15: M. 11. Senndicto: William in Ft. Sermon music: E. 3.30 (Tallis Immonth). Revident Chaptein. CHAPEL ROYAL HEMPION Court Palace (public welcomed: HC. 8.30: M. 11. (Howells: Carols, 3.30. a. 6. Rev Richard Hayes.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lans: SM 11,
Byrd three-part, Mol. Plung d in the
confines of despair (Purcell), Canen
(Irench-Beyrash,
ST COLIMAA'S (Church of Scutland), Pont Street: 11, Rev J. G.
Geodie: 6.30, Rev or J. Fraser
Millakey,
CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church
of Scotland), Russell Street, Covoni
Garden: 11.15 and 6.30, Rev J. Miller
Scott. ALL HALLOWS 2Y THE TOWER.
Sung Eucharist. 11. the Vigar: Carol
Service. 4.
ALL SAINTS'. Marrarei Stroel: L'V.
A and 5.30: HM. 11. Missa brevis
i Polestrinal. Rev David Patnier: E and
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Dent: Festival of Lessons and Carols.
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Christ HG. 3.16: Sung Eucharist. 11.
Nev J. B. Gaskell.
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WEST-MINSTER CATHEDRAL: LM 7.

9. 12, 5.30 and 7: Hm 10.50; Missa Senti Teni (Groce: Pe 150 i Missa); Ave Verani (Syrii) V and 2, 5.30.

THE ORATORV: SM 11. Punge ingu. (Josquin: V and 2, 5.30. Moi. Rorale card driving (Vidinsong) ASSUMPTION. Warwick St: SM ft (Lalin) O magnum mysterium (Victoria). totial:

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THE JESUIT CHUNCH: Farm Street;
LN 7, 8 9, 10, 11 and 13 (Father Peter Elzker: 4.15, 6.30 and 7.30 pm.

REGENT SQUARE PRESAVTERIAN
CHUNCI (United Reformed). Tavisiock Place: 11 and 6.30. Ilr Oanlet Street HC 3.16: Sung Ducherist. 11.
Nev 1: B. Gabker.
HOLY SEPULCHRE, Holborn Vladust.
Sung Eucharist. 0.15. Rev R. Tydeman.
HOLY TRINITY. Brompton Road: HC.
R end 12.15: Family Communion.
Rev M. Kempt M. 11. Rec G. Patierson. F. 6. Carol Service.
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HOLY TRINITY. M. 11. Prebenday G. T. Chappeg: Nine Lessons
and Carolis. 6. Chappeg: Nine Lessons
and Carolis. Ann.
Rev Jinn Arrowmith: Carols and
Mime. 6.30. Jonking Part: 17 and 0.30. In College Jonking Children (Presbyterien / Congregational), Allen Shreit: 11. Rev T. C. Micklem 6.30. Service of Lessons and

a former Governor of the British Broadcasting Corporation, a director of a family business in South Africa and of many oubdecided to retire from the House nf Commons. In 1939, because lic companies in this country. of the war the number of governors of the EEC was drastically reduced and Fraser he overcame with great courage and determination the grave handicap of blindness. In St Dunstan's he leaves behind an among others, resigned.

This left him free to return institution which will always be to the House of Commons. It 1940 he was elected unopposed for the Lonsdale Division of a memorial to two men, Sir Arthur Pearson, its founder, and Sir Ian Fraser bis lieutenant Lancaster, and was returned for Morecambe and Langdale in 1950 after the reorganization of consoluencies. In 1941 the number of BBC governors was increased and Fraser was reconsisted. William Jocelyn Ian Fraser was born at Eastbourne in 1897, and educated at Marlhorough and the Royal Military College, Sandburst, where he was senior cadet officer in 1915. In the 1914-18 War he served with the 1st Battalion, The King's (Shropshire) Light Infantry and appointed. He continued to act as a BBC governor until 1946 He enjoyed the work immensely

LORD FRASER OF LONSDALE

A life's work for the blind

and brought to it a special and invaluable knowledge of the needs of the blind listener. In the House be was popular with members of all parties. He fought vigorously the battle for increased pensions for disabled former servicemen and women, and on many occasions with considerable success.

promoted captain.

He told in his autobiography,
Whereas I Was Blind, how his
whole life was changed while
be was in hospital. He was visiin 1947 Fraser was appointed national president of the British Legion. He threw himself into the work with all his accus-St Dunstan's as Sir Arthur Pearson's personal assistant and guide, and "who wore the smoothest and most beautiful kid gloves that I had ever felt". tomed energy, and the legion could have had no finer advocate in the House of Commons. There were a few legion mem-bers, bowever, tybo felt that the She brought with her a letter from Sir Arthur telling how he had established St Dunstan's to president should not be attached to any political party, but when a vote of censure was moved on Fraser at the 1952 conference for his attitude in the House to the legion's demand for a weekly pension of £4 10s only— five our of the 650 delegates voted for it, and be was redaughter of George Mace, of Chioping Norton, and to quote his book again, "they both lived hanpily ever after".

In 1917 he started work as elected president unopposed.

He retired from the national presidency at the Whitsun conference in 1958. When presentations were made to him and his wife, be announced that be would use the balaoce of the presentation fund, about £2,000, to establish a "Fraser Trust to help the orphan of a former service man or the child of a 100 per cent disabled pensioner to gain something more from his or ber education than would otherwise have been possible.

He was made a Companion of Honour in 1953. He had been knighted in 1934 and he always regarded these honours as a tribute to the blind community A convalescent home was established at Ovingdean, near Brightoo, and during the 1939-45 War a large amount of the work was transferred to Church Stretton.

In all these changes Fraser In all these changes Fraser was the moving spirit in spite of much other public work. Even before Pearson's death, He was a director of a num-

He was a director of a numbe bad decided that he must ber of English companies and seek a wider outlet for his whatever he took up he worked seek a wider outlet for his whatever he took up he worked activities. He entered the Lnn- for indefatigably. In spite of

lowing year be retired tempor- and his wife entertained some arily from the House of of their large circle of friends Commons. He had been a either at the House of Common of their large circle of friends, or in their home, St Jobn's

Committee of Inquiry which sat in 1925-26 and in 1936 he was He is survived by Lady Fraser

of the BBC. He accepted and age.

Mr Palme Dutt, a foundation called upon in take control of member of the British Com-munist Party and a member of its executive from 1922 to 1965. died yesterday, aged 79.

Rajani Palme Dutt was born at Cambridge. His father, a surgeon, was a member of a prominent Benzali family: his Cambridge, and won a scholar-ship to Balliol College, Oxford, ford for engaging to antiwar activities, and served a prison sentence for refusing to serve in the forces. He was later allowed to return to take the Final School of Literae Humaniores in which he again took a first in 1918.

tenching he became fully employed in the Labour Research Penartment, formerly the Fabian Research Department, where he specialized in international affairs. His first book. The Twn Internationals, was nublished in 1920. He was a foundation member of the Communist Party and in 1921 he heran publication of the Lahour Monthly, a journal which he edited thereafter and which has ornvided guidance on the "party line" for the whole body of British committee in 1965, Duti acted as vice-chairman of the party: munists as well as for many overseas.

In 1922 Dutt was appointed chairman of a commission to

don County Council in 1922 all this he found time for reand served for three years as creation. He liked to visit the a Conservative member for theatre or the cinema as well North St Pancres. From 1924 to as to go boating and swimming 1929 he represented the same and in his later years he became a keen fisberman. With the help of his retentive memory and Braille cards, he was a good won it back two years later with bridge player.

a substantial majority and But probably his greatest retained it in 1935. In the ful-recteation of all was when be

invited to become a Governor and the daughter of the marri-

MR PALME DUTT

mother was Swedish. Dutt was educated at the Perse School, where he took a first class in Classical Moderations in 1916. He was sent down from Ox-After a short spell of school-

reorganize the party on "Bolshevik" lines, and later in the year he was elected to the central committee, on which he served continuously for 43 years. For several months in Mickiem 6.30. Service of Lessons and Carols.
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and 6.30. Dr M. Barnen.
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WESTMINSTER CHAPEL Anchine Lessons and Carols.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL Anchine Lessons and Carols. 1923-24 be also edited the Workers Weekly, but a break-

the British party from J. R. Camphell and others. Pollitt became general secre tary and Dutt, as a member of the Polithureau, undertook various special duties which included the editorship of the Daily Worker in the years 1936 to 1938. The Politt-Dutt partnership unabled well.

ship worked well: Dutt nro-

vided the intellectual justificaon for the emotional rhetoric at which Pollitt was so effec-The collaboration of the two men, which lasted for over 25 years. was broken for some months at the outbreak of war

in 1939. Pollitt could not accept the sudden change of policy in Moscow, and temporarily gave up his post in the party; but Dutt adapted bimself swiftly and thok over the secretaryship for a time. The invasion of Russia in

1941 was followed by an equally swift change of attitude by Dutt, which is reflected in his book, Britain in the World Front (1942),

In 1945 he stood as commumst candidate for Parliament for the Sparkbrook division of Birmingham and in 1950 he stood for Woolwich, East. For more than 20 years before his as vice-chairman of the party: and after retirement he carried on in charge of the International Department. He

attended the twentisin Cungress of the Russian Communist Party in 1956 and thereafter played an important part in resisting the criticism of the leadership at the time of the anti-Stalin campaign and the Hungarian revolution.

as not likely be linked at once the linked at once and It may be that his greatest contribution to communism was in the development of the Indian party, the seeds of which be diligently sowed among ludian students in Britain between the wars. Yet, whatever damage he did to the British Empire in that period, he probably more than made up by his strong discour agement of rebellious tendencies India in the critical years 1941-45. Duit visited India for

Law Report December 20 1974 Court of Appeal

Smoking and the breath test

Only in comparatively few cases cao the quantity of smoke in a motorist's lungs be of sufficiently high concentration to give rise to the problem of deciding whether a breath test is accurate.

The Court of Appeal so stated The Court of Appeal so stated when giving a reserved opinion on a reference by the Attorney General under section 36 of the Criminal justice Act, 1972. The question referred for opinion was "Whether a breath test is invalid where a police constable in administering the Alcotest [equipment] is seeking genuinely to ment is seeking genuinely to carry out a breath test but in ignorance of the manufacturer's instructions fails to delay the giving of a test to a driver who he knows has been smoking immediately prior to but not actually diately prior to but not actually at the time of the test.". In the court's opinion the answer was

Mr Donald Farquharson. QC, and Mr C. l. E. Gardner for the Attorney General; Mr Gordon Slynn, QC, and Mr Donald Anderson for the Treasury Solicitor as amicus curiae.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that a speeding van driven errati-cally was stopped. A constable who spoke to the driver suspected him of having alcohol in his hody and remired him to provide a specimen of breath for a breath test. The constable was unaware of the Alcotest manufacturer's instructions: "A high concentration of lobacco smoke tends to the reagent brown. Smoking during or immediately prior to the test should not therefore be permitted." But he always re quested drivers, in their own interests, out to smoke before pro-viding a breath test specimen.

The driver was smoking a cigarette at the time of the requirement. The evidence did not establish precisely when he stopped smaking, but it was during the two minutes between the requirement and provision of the specimen. The test was positive and the driver was arrested. A second breath test at a police stadon was positive, and he failed

to provide a laboratory test specimen. At his trial for having failed to provide a laboratory test specimen he submitted at the close

Attorney General's Reference
No 2 of 1974
Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief
Juscice, Mr Justice Melford Stevenson and Mr Justice Watkins
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The judge, who had been referred to Webber v Carry ([1970] A C 1072], ruled that there was no case to answer because the breath test had not been properly. breath test had not been properly conducted and, therefore, the subsequent arrest and all later proceedings were vidated. From a recent Divisional Court

judgment in Watkinson v Barley (Law Society's Gazette, December 11) it appeared that the only relevance which smoking might have to the taking of a breathalyser test was that, if a high concentradon of tobacro smoke was allowed to enter the hag, the re-agent might turn brown and thus make it more difficult accurately to decide whether the reagent bad also reacted to the presence of

alcohol in the blood. Only where a high concentration of tobacco smoke might have entered the hag did the problem arise, and in consequence there must be comparatively few cases in which the quantity of smoke in the motorist's lungs at the relevant time was of the high concentration

required for that purpose.

Whether or not in a particular case the concentration of smoke was sufficient to turn the crystals brown had to be decided by the tribunal of fact, but where the trial took place before a judge and jury it was clearly the judge's responsibility to stress the fact that only a high concentratiod was relevant for present purposes, and to point out that in the case of a motorist smoking a cigarette such a high concentration was not likely through his cigarette and at once exhaled into the hag.
If there was an interval in which

he could have two or three normal inhalations of hreath that would usually be sufficient to reduce the usually be sufficient to reduce the concentration of smoke in his langs to a quantity insufficient to affect the reagent. Once that point was grasped it became on vious that only in a very timited number of cases did the fact that the suspect was smoking have any relevance to the meetion at all. relevance to the question at all.
The manufacturer's referen

smoking "immediately" before the test bad to be treated as meaning smoking at a time so proximate to the test that a sufficiently high conceotration of tobacco smoke was still retained in the motorist's lungs and thus liable to be transmitted to the test bag.

The judge was wroog in refus-ing to leave to the jury the ques-tion whether the driver had been smoking immediately before the test. He would have been wise to go to some pains to explain to the inry that it was not the trare of tobacco lingering in the lungs and mouth which was likely to create the appropriate concentration, and that such a concentration could bardly be achieved in practice unless there was an inhalation of tobacco smoke from the cigarette transmitted almost instantly into the bag itself and not dispersed by normal breathing actions mean-

The Attorney General's question became relevant only on the assumption that the jury were not satisfied that the quantity of smoke in the motorist's lungs was sufficient to affect the accuracy of the test and clean consider. of the test, and closer considerav Carey.

An important feature of the present case was that the motor-ist's conduct in regard to smoking was clear for the constable to see.
Where the nature of the fallure to comply was clearly to he seen by the officer he could not excuse himself from obeying the instruc-tions merely by saying that he was noaware that they existed. While anxious not to impose additional hurdens on the police their Lordships were unable to scrept the proposition that a failure to comply with the instructions could be justified merely because the officer had never read them or be-come arquainted with them in

other ways. Although the officer's bona fides might exruse bis lack of

Lugby Union

Neary and Dixon withdraw to idd to selectors problems

igby Correspondent

withdrawals have played such you with the two teams for Engad's final trial at Twickenham is afternoon (2.15) that their cher composition will not he cown until the selectors have put itsaw together again this raing. The open side flanker, ary, pulled out of the England under and Dixon likewise from I Rest side at No 8 after the nnasant facial injury he sustained last week's area trial. The selectors bave called up an

Inst week's area trial.
The selectors bave called up an ildonal flanker in Phillips, of rthampton, who is a current gland Under-23 player, and other lork (who could also play No E) in Wilkinsoo, of Bedford by bave also summoned Cowling. Leicester, as possible reinforcent for the front rows, Smart, Newport loose head prop. who Newport loose head prop, who s one of the replacements, hav-pulled out with an ankle ary. The doubts about whether ael, the replacement hooker. phasel, the replacement hooker, ald he on hand seem now to re been resolved, in spite of the t that be lost bis father this ek and that Bective Rangers ared him for a Leinster senior raise be, the two front rows as ginally selected remain intact.

the selectors will be able to ide whether the time has come Pullin to yield his place as gland hooker to Wheeler and ether Stevens still has no peer the country as loose head prop. the absence of Rosshorough at back, of Wordsworth at stand-half for the Rest and of Dixon, was expected to test Ripley's ttle at No 8, are especially

(will be decided this morning ther Jorden, the replacement Rossboroneh, or Richards, of Wasos, will play in the sentor. Richards has a splendid nice to advance his claims, redless of which side he plays in, he is somewhat below par, he the perfect excuse in that he played no first-class ruphy played no first-class riighy te he broke his jaw when play-for the England Under-23 team inst Northern Counties in Sep-iber. If he turns on the heat, he is well capable of doing, i ald no be surprised to see him

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ith Mrs Court

ortant thing in her life. Mrs art. aged 32, who is competing only her third tournament owing the hirth of her second d. will turn down a \$100,000

£44,000) contract to play Team Tennis (WTT) in the

e said the travelling time in-ed and the bard slog of the T circuit would keep her away

long from her husband and children. "My family comes t—not tennis", she said. "1'll 'a dozen or so tournaments the Virginia Slims circuit and 's ahout it."

he former Wimhledon cham-n today mastered the gusty d on the White City Stadium

re court to overwhelm another tralian, Kerry Melville, 6—1, 2 and qualify for Sunday's il, in which she will meet the Evonne Goolagong or Olga tuzova, of the Soviet Umon.

Wimhledon runner-np.
The eclipse of the highly ranked a continued in the quarteril round today, with Sydney i, the unseeded Australian.
himating die sixth-seeded John

xander, 6-3, 6-2. Ball will another Australian, Tony

IEN'S SINGLES (MARIO-BRU)
nd: 8. Boll beat J. Alexander 6—3.
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aly 6—4. 7—6.
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G. Thomson 6—3. 4—6. 6—5: M.

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Carmichael and S. Ball 5—7. 6—3.

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FOROUAY: South-west luntar cham-nahibs: Final rounds: 12 vs. R. 2011 (Sosson) beal M. West i-Hert-tahirs: 7-5 6-1. Girts: Miss M. er (Kenti: beal Miss J. Durie loucester) 6-0. 6-0.

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Feter Wheeler, who is striving to be England's hooker.

in the England team for their first internadonal match, against Ire-land, in January. If his, in cricketing terms, is an

era for England's golden oldies, so, too, it must be for the seasoned but still sprightly Hiller, who will play stand-off half for Harlequins against Newport on the Stoop Memorial Ground. Woodward is injured, so Hiller gets the call in a position be adarred when the New
try), D. J. Duckham (Coventry);
A. G. B. Dld (Lelcester), J. G.
Webster (Moseley); C. B. Stevens
(Penzance Newlyn), P. J. Wheeler
(Leicester), F. E. Cotton (Coventry)
(captain), R. M. Uttley (Gosforth),
C. W. Ralston (Richmond), J. A.
Watkins (Gloucester), A. G. Ripley
(Rosslyn Park), A. N. Other.

Against Newport on the Stoop Memorial Ground. Woodward is injured, so Hiller gets the call in a position he adorned when the Harlequins last beat Newport, way back in the 'sixn'es. Harlequins will do well to win today. Newport bave heen unbeaten in their iast 11 matches.

ENGLAND: A. Jorden (Bedford) or G. Richards (Wasps); P. J. E. Horton (Moseley), D. M. Rollin (Roundhay), P. S. Preece (Coven-

Australians play twice under floodlights

The Australian Rugby Union touring sida will play two matches under floodlights during their three-month tour of the British Isles next year. These are against East Midlands et Leicester and Gloucestershire and Somerset at Rristol.

Gloucestershire and Somerset at Bristol.

The two regions especially asked for the matches to be played under floodlights as they considered it would help boost gate receipts and it would help boost gate receipts and it would be easier for players to get away from work. The Australians have accepted the itinerary without alteration.

The visitors open the 25-match tour against Dxford University at Iffley Road on Dctober 29 and move on to two tough fixtures against Cardiff and Llauelli, before meeting London Counties at Twickenham. Swansea have been given a match in their own right this time after being omitted from the last important linerary against the 1972 All Elacks.

Swansea were the only individual cinb to play against the Australians when they made a short eight-match tour in 1973. They will be anxions to improve on that tour when they won only

on that tour when they won only two matches and drew against

ond Somerset, at Bristol; November 29; Swanssa.

Herember 2: South of Scotland, et Galachiels; Oncember 6: Scotland, et Murrayitold; December 10: Southerd, et Murrayitold; December 10: Souther Counties, at Aylesbury; December 13: Middand Counties West at Coventry; December 16: Giamorgan, ot Nestri Hacember 20; Weles, at Cardiff; December 27: Cornwoil and Bovon, et Exotor; Hecember 20: Combined Services, at Aidershot.

January 27: December 30: Combined Services, at Aidershot.

January 3, 1976: Ebgland, of Twicksham: January 7: Newport: January 10: North West Counties, of Elandell Sander; January 13: Mürster at Cork; January 17: reland, ib Dublin: January 24: Barbarians, et Cardiff,

Merseyside's chance to break away Hooligans while others eye each other

One of the arts of being a good road racing cyclist is to know the exact moment when to take the lead. A winding road with high bedges can conceal the escaped rider long enough to let him get away, and a parallel can ba drawn with the Christmas tootball programme. It offers the chance for any enterprising clinh to make a break from the field, although the potential champions are watching each other with cautious pessimism.

are watching each other with cautious pessimism.

Anyone prepared to take risks away from bome could have made their escape some weeks ago, end that excitement of the race is nothing more than camouflage over the desperately timid football shown by teams playing outside the more demanding surrounds of their backyards. Middlesbrough bave been criticized for showing his attitude, yet they have the best away record in the first division. Jeck Chariton, the Middlesbrough manager, offers no hope of e sudden changa of heart among the leading 12 clobs. He said yesterday: "It is tight now and it will be tight for a long time to come. If no team makes a hreak over Christmas—and I don't think they will—then there will not be touch change during January hecause of cup ties." I am not as sure as Mr Charlton that it all augurs for great excitement. He said: "It is great to be involved; the players like it and so do the spectators." Obviously, it must be easier to please the people of the

Leicester C 0 Ipswich T I
Leicester City failed for the sixth time in seven games while Ipswich Town, ending a seven-match run of away defeats despite losing Hunter, their defender, with a head in jury in tha second half, went to the top of the table. A goal after 23 minutes by Whymark—the two thousandth Ipswich goal in the Football League—was no surprise. He scored with ease from e cross by Johnson.

Leicester relied on solo breaks which lacked cohesion. Ipswich beld the lead without difficulty until a fierce rally in the second half started when Leicester substituted Stringfellow for Weller.

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Weller faces disciplinary action from his cluh after refusing to play io the second half. James Bloomfield, the Leicester manager, said: "When I went to the dressing room at half-time Keith Weller said he did not wish to go oo the field for the second half. I warned him of the consequences. He got into the bath and would not get out. That is all I have to

not get out. That is all I have

Weller, who joined Leicester from Chelsea for £100,000 three years 250, has bed a transfer regnest turned down this season. He had played badly during the

first half and was once barracked by the bome crowd after kicking the ball into the terraces.

Hunter was carried off on a stretcher with his head injury after 60 minutes, Hamilton replacing him. As he did so, Sivell made the save of the night from Worthington. Talbot, of Ipswich, had his name taken for a tackle

Say.

Hockey

By Sydney Friskin

north-east than the spectators in the south, midlands and north-west. Few of the people I have spoken to on Merseyside, for instance, consider that the Liver-pool or Everton teams of the present time would have been in the top half dozen a tew seasons ago. Those two clubs can be predicted to finish the Christmas period in first and second places. Everton hegin today with what should be a fairly comfortable win over the now struggling Carlisle should be a fairly comfortable win over tha now struggling Carlisle United team. Their party of 14 includes Buckley, who was Injured playing for the England under-23 team in Port.—I a month ago, and that combative former England forward, Royle. Everton are hardly likely to changa their team, but Royle's wretched luck with injuries and the memories of his sturdy and ambitious from running will have his many supporters voting for his return.

Weller in hot water for playing half game

Hunter, who had three stitches

his forebead, may miss the match against Luton Town on Boxing Day. "I am optimistic, although it is a deep cut", be said. "Perhaps I will be allowed to

Lane's smallest crowd of the season. A goal by Dearden after 43 minutes was sufficient to earn them victory against a side who had talent and no ideas.

Cartwright missed a glorious chance of putting Coventry ahead when be abot against a post with Brown beaten. Cartwright drove in the rebound, but the hall struck Hemsley, the full back. Dearden's goal was oeatly hooked over his shoulder after Field had headed a corner by Woodward into the goalmouth.

Colchester United were oo top for most of the first half of their important third division game against their promotion rivala, Crystal Palace, hut found them-

selves trailing at half-time after

A smart interception by Smith left Burns, Palace's goalkeeper, parry-ing his shot and Lessie slamming a deserved equaliser. Swindleburst and Cannon, both of Palace, had their names noted for dissent.

Evans had scored with a header.

Colchester U 1, C Palace 1

wear a rugby scrum cap.'

Sheffield U 1, Coventry C 0 Sheffield United took both points in a match almost devoid of excite-ment before 14,694 people, Bramali

their goalkeeper, has a hand Derby County, despite their erratic standards and failure in Europe, and Leeds United, despite a frightening start, are both capable of catching all of these hunched leaders and today offers them promise of adding to the con gestion. In certain moods, Derby can be hard on weaklings and regret that my neighbours at Luton Town must come into that category. And Leeds United will probably find Nawcastle United under a cloud at St James's Park after that emborrassing defeat by Chester of the fourth division. In one of their recent programmes, West Ham warned that their success should nor hlur their awareness of the financial dangers facing other London Clubs, toentioning Chelsea by name. Today they will help their rivals from across the capital by raising the attendance at Stamford Bridge, on what Is by tradition the worst day of the season for gates. West Ham will be without Jennings, and regret that my neighbours at

or the season for gates. West ham will be without Jennings, and Chelsea have their captain, Hollins, back in the team, so the result is not as predictable as it would have been a tortnight ago.

At Tottenham, Queen's Park Rangers allow Bowles to return after one of his several courtoversial transfer apisodes with the club. sial transfer apisodes with the club, and Spurs have Chivers back after illness. But London still has all of its eggs in West Ham'a basket and the challenge of Merseyside

Lincoln C 2, Stockport Co 0

Lincoln City were not troubled
by a feeble Stockport County, who
had only one real shot throughout
the match and have now gone 16
games without defeat. After the
minutes Ellis, the captain, put Lincoln shead when he glanced bome
Smith's free kick

Stockport were under constant pressure and after Graham had hit

pressure and after Graham had hit the bar Harding volleyed in from 33 yards. The gnal was disallowed because Coker, making his first appearance on loan from West Ham United, was offside. Filis clinched the result with a penalty after Coker bad been brought down by McNab in the 56th minute.

Harry Haslam, manager of Luton Town, confirmed yesterday that Newcastle United have inquired

about Peter Anderson, aged 24, a midfield player, Mr Haslam would not confirm that Newcastle have offered £150,000 and Jim Smith,

Yesterday's results

First division
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nearden (14,694)

Third division

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shown they are unwanted

The Football League secretary, Alan Hardaker, yesterday gave full details of a joint League-Football Association plan to clamp down on the hooligan element among Manchester United supporters. He called on the police, British Rail, magistrates and the Government to help.

Admission to all United's Bway matches will be by ticket only and the boma club must segregate its own supporters from the Manchester supporters. United will be responsible for selling their share of the tickets and these must be sold at the same time as the home club are selling their own. No tickets can be sold on the day of the match and 25 per cent of the seats can be allocated to Manseats can be allocated to chester.

Details of the plan have been circulated to all clubs and it is stressed that " the bome club must ensure that the allocation of standensure that the allocation of standing tickets to United is only sufficient to enable Manchester supporters to he segregated completely". This could mean that
unless clubs are prepared to erect
dividing fences on their grounds.
United's support could be cut to
only e couple of thousand on
grounds with large "one price"
areas of terracing.

United's next two away games at Oldham and Sunderland, have already been made all-dicket, so the League plan will come into force officially for the League Cnp semi-final round at Norwich on January 22.

Mr Hardaker stressed Mr Hardaker stressed the serious view tha League and FA took of the rouble caused by United supporters. They were determined to end It. "The Management Committee together with the FA, have decided to make an effort to impress npoo the booligans and rowdies who tollow Marchester United around that they are not wanted." he that they are not wanted", he said. "The concern of local authorities and members of Par-llament and the disturbance and damage that these booligans cause is shared by everyone in the game, including Manchester Utoted. Including Manchester Utoted.

They are not football supporters and we intend to abow them that they are not wanted by the really enthusiastic football fan.

"It is boped that this system will enable police authorities and rail-way authorities to enforce some control over who travels, hecause no one will be admitted into the ground without a ticket. "This is the first effort and although there will be plenty of experts who will say that this or that should be done, or even that this system will not stop the practices we are trying to stop, oever-theless it is a start. We shall learn by experience and if more

stringent cootrols become obviously necessary then they will be taken by the two hodies together. Having taken this step, bowever, then it is boped that police and ourselves will be backed up to the hilt by magistrates and even Government trates and even Government action in the case of deliberate flonting of the arrangements hy anyone", be said.

RUGBY UNIDN: Schoolboys' maich:
Blackheeth O. Kent 33.
RUGBY LEAGUE: Second division:
Barrow a, Blackpool Borough 6. One group particularly hard hit

MCC's injured go back to the nets to find fitness ydney, Dec 20.—Mrs Margaret irt, the Australian champion, ipt into the women's final of New South Wales champion is here today, and then in-ted that tennis was not the most

From Joho Woodcock

Cricket Correspondent Adelaide, Dec 20 The MCC party is gradually returning to fitness. Lever had a good work-out this morning, Amiss

and Luckhurst hoth bad a net.
The main question mark now hangs
over Edrich, who is still not
happy with his hand.
Whether or not Edrich plays
against South Anstralia here tomorrow will not be decided until th morning. The chances are that be will. If not, he might almost as well go bome. Missing this match would mean his being ruled out of next Thursday's Test, and protably the one at Sydney as well

which starts on Jamary 4. Edrich looked all right at practice this morning, though no one bowled fast at him.

On one or two fiery pitches Denness and Fletcher were given a testing time hy Arnold and Lever. Out in the middle the aquare still hears the scars of the football season. Every open space in Adelaide seems to bave a better growth of grass than the square at the Adelaide Oval. f bope it plays well tomorrow, for MCC need nothing more than a good wicket nothing more than a good wicket on which to get some of their

confidence back.

This is a three-day match against South Australia, rather than tour, to enable the side to move on to Melbourne in good time fur the third Test match on Boxing Day, South Australia will he without Ian Chappell, who is treation himself to a rest. Mallett and Jenner are playing, both members of the Australian Test twelve. It or the Australian 1est twelve. It was in this corresponding match, in 1962, that Cowdrey made 307, the highest score by an Englishman in Australia. If you see a car with the registration MCC 307 that is Cowdrey's. Whoever had it of Christmas 1962 happened to be at Christmas 1962 happened to be a cricket follower and offered it to Cowdrey. It is against seminals fast bowling that MCC most need practice at the moment and they will not find it on the South will not find it on the South
Australian side.

The sons of "new" Australians
are playing an increasing part in
cricket out bere. One of them,
Dennis Yagmich, whose family
emigrated from Yugoslavia, will
he keeping wicket for South Australia tomorrow. He soonds, to
listen to, as Australian as Ned
Kelly, in Sydney you will see,
among the grade scores, such



Edrich: looked fit at practice.

names as P. Mirkovic, playing for Nepean, P. Dernikowitsch for North Sydney, A. Appachurai for Cumberland, and F. Cicutto for Bankstown. In Perth there was a Missopolous, a Panegyres, a Zusman, a Deliaposta, B Rakich and a Verco. When the first hlack cricketer, of West Indian origin but born in Bradford, plays for Yorkshire, it will be no different from Yagmich playing for South Australia.

Lancashire have apprinted Alan James, at present secretary to the Somerset County Cricket Clinb, to succeed Jack Wood as secretary et Did Trafford.

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Spin bowling troubles **Central Zone**

Nagpur, India, Dec 20.—The West Indian off spin bowler, Albert Padmore, took six wickets and the Central Zone opening batsman, Minrity Rajan, hit a century on the opening day of the three-day match bere today. Central Zone, put in to bat by Clive Lloyd, were all oot for 254 of which Rajan made 104 with 14 fours and a six. The touring team replied with 59 for no wicket with Roy Fredericks 42 oot out.

Rajan was twice dropped before Rajan was twice dropped before lunch, but put on 59 with Desh-pande for the second wicker at toore than 8 run a minute, and had a 58 run partnership with 8 former Test player, Salim Dur-rani, for the fourth wicket in only

Central Zone were 118 for three at lunch. The spinners, Padmore and Barrett, did most of the bowling after lunch although oeither is likely to play in the third Test starting in Calcutta next Friday. Padmore, who celebrated his 28th birthday three days ago, troubled all the batsment to finish with six for 89-his best performance of for 89 his best performance o

for 89—his best performance of the tour.

It was Fredericks, bowling slow left arm, who trapped Rajan leg before after be had batted 205 minutes. It was the fourth century scored against the West Indians on their tour.

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Smith turns down job

Edwin Smith, the former Derby shire spin bowler who was appointed a first-class umpire a week ago, has turned down the job because he cannot afford to accept it. Smith, who played for Derbyshire for 23 years, has taken a job with the National Coal Board, which he ways offers him more security for says offers him more security for his family.

Weekend fixtures

Kick-off 3.0 unless stated.

Birmingham v Liverpool

First division

Divided loyalties change character of two events Whitaker, who are playing for Hertfordshire. Other absentees from the Sonthgate side are Neale, the captain, not fully recovered from his hamstring injury, and Hoen. On the other hand Cotton, In this welcome phase of good will the game of bockey offers much in weekend cheer that can quicken the pulse and possibly gladden the beart. The main stimulants appear in the form of county and national club championship fixtures, both events being sponsored by Benson and Hedges. the England captain, and White are not playing for Hertfordshire, and are likely to assist Southgate. At the start of the season Cotton

Spencer, who have not been playing particularly well, seem to have more urgent problems to salve. An injury to Prior, their left back, has put the whole defence in disarray and they must see how they play today against Cbeam before they can make up their minds about the line-up for tomorrow. Missan, for instance, is down to play left half todey but is certain to be in the forward line tomorrow. Horst, the captaio, will play right half today, but is likely to be right back tomorrow. being sponsored by Benson and Hedges.

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Allea v Forfar (2.0)

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Scottish second division Rughy Union

halt of the draw.
Hertfordshire seem to bave stronger resources in attack and defence than Lincolnshire. Many of Herifordshire's players, Including Grainger, Brace, Collison, and Tideswell have had the advantage of playing tor the East side in the divisional tournament at Derhy, But Lincolnshire are not to be underrated. They had a good win over Cambridgeshire at Cambridge where they profited by the skilful leadership of Jenkin at centre half, and the skill in attack of Paul Mager.

Wiltshire and Devon play off at Glastonherry to decide the cham. stronger resources in attack and

Wiltshire and Devon play off at Glastonherry to decide the champions in the Western group. Wiltshire have recovered hrillantly after a shaky start in the six counties weekend, and Devon have had a splendid record which gives them an aven chance of survival.

Representative match England v The Rest (0)

Club matches

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Birmingham v Penarth 12.30)

Brisiol v Leicster 13.51

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Edinburgh Wdrs v Jodforesi

Esher v Guy's Hospital 13.D1

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Liverpool v Manchester (2.50)

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Knockout Cup Nasth v S Wales Police 12.15)

quash rackets

Match the better player may lose

/ Rex Bellamy luash Rackets Correspondent Mohibullah Khan and Qamar man, both Pathans, will contest e final of the British amateor uash rackets championship for e second successive year at Wem-2y this afternoon. A year ago man began as slight favourite. it was heaten 10-8 in the fifth me after an bour and 22 mines. Since then 2aman has reserted his authority over Mohiillah (the vounger man hy about ree years, though the khans are vague ahout ages). man may again be expected to

A professional compatriot of A professional comparison of eirs. Hidayat Jahan, suggests that iman will win in four games, or ohibullah in five. The players to closely matched and so miliar with each other's games at the final could obviously gother way. Monibullah must have section from the sharpening in nefited from the sbarpening in nence of a lesting match with ailip Arton in the semi-final aund, whereas Zaman was seldom ader similar pressure from Peler

Mohihullah may also heve a arginal advantage in speed and ramina and he is more of a perentage played. Zaman cao somemes be self-indulgent in taking the more artistic talents ie risks his more artistic talent emand of him. But no player an equal his capacity for decepon, which continually imposes asty and exhausong improvizaion on his opponents.

Their long hours of practice together have given Mohibullah a few clues about what to expect: and he is fit enough to absorb the punishment that will nndoubtedly come his way This could he a match that the better player—Zaman—will lose. But no one who has enjoyed his breathtaking expertise would gamble much money in betting against him, especially as he seems to have the knack of heating Mohibullah, lahan's forecast sounds as logical as any.

as any.
This may he the last time we This may he the last time we see either player in this champlon-ship. They have looked a class above the rest of the field and have recently been closeted with some of the game's husinessmen. At any moment they may amounce their intendon to grah what they can of the prize money available in the forthcoming professional circuit.

Either or both may miss the last of the amateur international matches between Paldstao and Britan. so that they can compete for places in the game's richest event. This is a new series of five tournaments, sponsored by British Caledoman Atrways and the Yellow Dot sports goods company, in which eight players will earn what they can from a prize fund of £12.478. event. This is a new series of

Six men—Alauddin. Barrington. Hiscoe, Hunt, Jaban, and Nancar-row—will go straight into the field. The other two will emerge from a

sam, and Yasin: tongb company for Mohibullah and Zaman ahould they choose to test their skills against the professionals.

The format of the eight-man circuit bas been soundly conceived and promises to give the season an exciting theme. At Lelcester, Edinburgh, Manchester, Newcastle and Wembley in turn, the eight players will contest a total of 12 matches in three days: the familiar knock-out, plus a series of play-off matches, so that there will be a final order of merit from one to eight. The prize-money of £1,875 (graded from £500 for the winner to £100 for the man at the bottom of the list) and points awards from eight for the winner down to £100 for the man at the bottom of the list) and points awards (from eight for the witner down to one for the last man) will be allorated accordingly. At the end of the series the points accumulated will decide the destination of e further £3,100 in houses, graded from £1,000 to £100. It can be urgued that an average of about £208 will be at stake in every match. The maximum and revery match. The maximum and minimum earnings from the endre 15-day series will be £3,500 and £600. Excluded professionals need not he unduly envious. There will be plenty of other prize-money tournaments; in which they may it to the control the traving com-

often be spered the taxing com-pany of the lucky eight, who will need all the rest they can get on the road from Leicester to Wem-The game has come a long way since February, 1969, when the relgaing amateur champion, Jonah The other two will emerge from a l6-strong qualifying competition to be played at Durham from January 3 to 5. The players at Durham will probably include Asran, Easter, Patterson, Reedman, Safwat, Tor-

Luton v Derby Manchester C v Wolves Newcastle v Leeds Stoke v Arsenal
Tottenham H v QPR

Second division Boltoo v Oxford

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GWR. Gravasond v Old Anchorians.
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Wanderers v Ipswich. Old Edwardians
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Sevencals, Walton v Old Crameighams,
West Herts v Oxford Hawks.

Third division Brighton v Plymouth

Gillingham v Chesterfield Preston v Port Vale Swindon v Peterboro Transuere v Bury Partick v Clyde Postponed : Southend v Aldershot.

> Fourth division Barnsley v Northamptoo (3.15) .. Bradford v Sonthport Brentford v Scuathorpe

Hartlepool v Rochdale Mansfield v Rotherban Reading v Swansea Torquay v Newport (7.30) Workington v Chester ARTHURIAN LEAGUE (2.151: Old Cholmelolans v Old Alderthamians; Did Foresiers v Old Elimians; Old Metvernians v Old Bradfieldiars; Old Weingburians v Old Roptonians; Did Wostminsters v Old Selopians; Old Wykahamiats v Old Srentwoods.

Squash rackets Road running
Hoge Back 1246 (at Guildford, 2.45).

Football: Preview (12.20). hill (12.55). ent (3.50). Match of the Day Football:

(10.30).

Scottish first division Aberdeen v Dunfermline

Airdrie v Rangers Arbroath v Hibernian Ayr v Morton Celtic v St Johnstone Dumbarton v Motherwell Dundee U v Kilmarnock Hearts v Dundee

Partick v Clyde

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premior division: Barnet v Margelo, Burlon v Chekmstord: Dartford v Carabridge City: Bover v Wealdstone: Guidford Dorking v Atherstono: Nuncaton v Weymouth: ajourbridge v Wimbledo: Telford United v Both: Tonbridge v Grantham: Yrovil v Kettoring, First division—North: Bedworth v Slovenego: Cheltenham v Kine's Lymn; Corby v Bronsgrove: Hunstable v Immworth: Ridden North: Bedworth v Janworth: Ridden V Kettoring, First division—North: Bedworth v Janworth: Ridden V Koynes v Enderby: Roddlich v Barry: Wellingborough v Bedford. South: Andoves v Folkesiono/Shepwsy; Bezley United v Trowbridge: Crawley v Grevesend: Dorchester v Bognor Regis: Hostings v Selisbury: Hullegdon v Comprised v Fredom v Basingstolic: Waltern V Premior v Bledford.

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First division Castleford v Si Balens (2.15) Leeds v Kolphiey (3.0)

Television highlights

Racing: Chepstow races at 12.45, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15. Skiing: Saalbach women's down-Boxing: Knight v Stevens (1.25). Cricker: Second Test match (1.55). Rugby League : Castleford v St Helens (3.0). Show inmping: Dunhill tourna-IBA tomorrow Football: Big Match (2.0).

Rugby League

Rugby Union: Llanelli v Bath (6.25). IBA.
Football: Preview (12.35).
Skiing: Saalbach women's downhilli (1.0).
Racing: Sedgefield races at 1.30,
2.0, 2.30, 3.0; Fakenham
races at 1.45, 2.15, 2.45.
Darts: Pro-am tournament (3.10).
Westiling: Preston promotion Wrestling: Prestoo promotion (4.0).

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: First division Clopion v Barking: Dagenham v Wallon and Nersham: Enfield v Bromley Hayre v Nendon: Kingstonian v Wycombe Wanderers: Leetherhead v Oxford City: Benderers: Leetherhead v Oxford City: Sough v Strong and Mitcham United v Woking: Vinter and Mitcham United v Woking: Vinter and Mitcham United v Woking: Serond division: Aveley v St Albans Gily: Boreham Wood v Corimitan-Casuals: Finchley v Chesham United: Harlow Town v Horsham: Harwich and Parkesion v Carshalton Albielic: Harlord Town v Carshalton Albielic: Harlord Town v Carshalton Southall v Hampion: Tibury v Modanhead United. Wokingham Town v Steines. ATHENIAN LEAGUE: First division Edmonton-Haringey e Leyton; Lowes v Canon ton-Haringey e Leyton; Lowes v Careys and the Common of the Common of the Careys Athleten of the Careys and
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SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Kenjon v Old Bedcoplans, Lee Puriey: Botond division: Reckenham v Old Sedcoplane A. Buckhurst Hill A V Kenjon A. Grydon v Si Heiler A. Hampstead Hurons v Hillcroft, Puriey A v Puriey E. Third division: Lee B e Puchhurst Hill B. Puriey C v Croydon A. A.

NORTH DI ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Chyodio y Ashton. Nealon Marsey v Mollor, Old Stonfordiana v Did Woronians. Shaffiold University of Manchester University, Sooth Manchester ond W v Stockport. Urmston v Old Hulmolans. Worsen: Putnay v Seckonham.

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First division
Bramley v Salford 15.301
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Hallfax v Widner 13.301 Second division Huddersfield v Leigh 13 3411 Huyton v Swinton 13 15 Hockey' COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP east final: Unromable v Harifordshipe of Bourne HC. 1.45: West playoff Wilships v Beyon (a) GlasionDury). CIUB CHAMPIONSHIP South Semi-final round Reading v Brambey, South-gate v Spencer.

Tomorrow

Rugby Leagoe

Rackets Public schuola singles championships lat Queen's Club, West Kenstnaton t. ... Squash rackets Public schools singles championships (at Queen's Club, Wast Kensington) London junior open championship (et Connaugh) Cittle .

Philominsky first choice for Finale Hurdle

Racing Correspondent

The Finale Junior Hurdle (1.45) run at Chepstow this afternoon bas attracted what is arguably the best field of three-year-old hurd-lers seen so for this season. Of those who have made 2 fevourable impression, only Mrs Parsons is

Three of the runners in today's field have not heen beaten racing under National Hunt rules. They are French Pio and Jer who have both won twice and Night Nurse who has won four dress. Philomla. sky, Lintam, The Griggle, Montreal Box, First Footman, Honoured Guest and Zip Fasteuer are others to command respect, and whose presence adds greatly to the quality of the race. The presence there of Lintam, in particular, should help us to get a line on Mrs Parsoos. Linzam finished fourth behind Mrs Parsons et Chelrenham e fortnight ago, having woo his previous race at Ascot. French Pin and Jer must give their rivals weight, alheit only 3h this afternoon, simply because they have won a hurdle race worth \$1,000 already. In spite of this penalty they should both run well. And so should Night Nurse, rather

four races under National Huot rules. Yet, I cannot help wondering if any of them will cope with Philominsky, who won his last race at Nottingbam by 10 lengths. I did not see that race, but I saw enough of Philominsky earlier in the season of Ascot to put his name in my notehook then. I had just watched him finish fourth in his first race under National Hunt rules. That race, incidentally, was won by Lintam, but I recall writing at the time that I would expect to see Philomiosky come out on

top if ever they met again on simi-

lar terms.
Philominsky now has the opportunity to eodorse my judgment. He is one of two runners that Eill Marshall will saddle. First Footman is the other, and he is an interesting acceptor, too. Being by the dual classic winner, Royal Palace, and out of Celins who won the Irish Guineas Oaks, First Footman must be one of the best-hred horses to make the switch from flat racing to hurdling this wimer. Honoured Guest, 2nother runner in this afternoon's race is also bred in the purple. He is a half hrother to the Eclipse Stakes winner. Cononught, by and dual classic winner. Sir Ivor. Hononred Guest bas not impressed me hurdling, whereas First Footman caught my eye when he

finished sixth heblind Mrs Parsons at Cheltenham, It will he Interesting to see how he and The Griggle fare this afternoop. When they met 2t Newmarket during the summer they fluished first and second in a race confined to amateur riders. with the honours going just to First Footman, hy a neck. The Griggle has won a hurdle race at Ascot since then by beating Montreal Boy, yet another con-testant this afternoon.

Zip Fastener is another interest-lng recruit from the world of flat racing. He finished some war racing. He finished some way behind Jer at Sandown Park in the behind Jer at Sandown Park in the Benson and Hedges Three-Year Old Hurdle, in spite of the fact that he was expected to take a hand in the finish. It would he arong to urite him off.

Chepstow, the home of the Panama Cigar Hurdle final in March stages its own heat today. Another win for Border Incident will simply help to swell confid-

will simply help to swell confidence in Papa Noel's ability to win the second division of the Festive Novices' Hurdle at the end of the day. On the only occasion that Papa Noel has lost this season he was beaten six lengths by Border Incident at Newhury, although he was admittedly trying to give Border Incident more weight than is loid down in the weight-for-age scale. After dismounting from

Border Incident on that occasion. John Francome told Richard Head that Border Incident had not only jumped but also won as only a good horse in the making would have done.

Border Incident will probably have to he as good as Francome indicated in order to he able to deal with Papa Noel's stable companion, Prince Antoine, who has won his last two races; Ribanco, the challenger from the north; Flamheau and Buckle. It may be asking a lot of him, but I still expect Border Incident to win again, hecause I was so taken by the way that he raced clean away from his rivals at Newbury. More often than not, races at Newbury stand up well under scrutiny. Papa Noel has won twice since

then, and King Neptune, who finished fourth, has also won. 1 expect Papa Noel to win his divi-sion of the Festive Novices' Hurdle in spite of the fact that he is opposed by Party Time, who won his last race at Lingfield Park, having run so well in his only other race under National Huot rules at Saodown Park. Fakenham also stages a Panama Hurdle Championship (qualifier). It may be significant that John Surcliffe has chosen to run The Fast One there instead of at Chepstow. Nevertheless, I still

doubt whether The Fast One will beat Punch Up, who was good enough to win the Bogside Cup at Ayr on the flat this year and finished third in the Jocker Clinb Cup. Punch Up is trained not far from Fakenham by David Morley, whose star certainly seems to be in the ascendency. Morley is fortunate to be able to count on the former Champion locker. Bob former champion jockey. Bob Davies, and ingentier they are proving to be ideal partners. Clearly Morley learnt 8 great deal from Frank Condell, whose assistant he was for a number of years. At Chepstow yesterday Davies rode yet another winner for Morley when Banlieu won the Olympic Hurdle and now he is almost within striking distance of Tommy Stack and Graham Thomes

at the top of the jockeys' table. At this rate Davies will he a con-At this fate bavies with the a char-tender for this season's jocker's championship, a o'de that he shared with Terry Biddlecombe in 1968-69, hut won ontright the fol-lowing season and again in 1971-72. Sasha, my selection for the Cottes-more Novices Steeplechase, should be another winner for Davies and Morley at Fakenham.

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Stephenson masses his forces on all fronts but one at Sedgefield

From his pearby stable in co Dur-bam, Arthur Stephenson descends in some strength today on Sedge-field with a total of nine runners over six of the seven races. Recently the Stephenson-Tommy Recently the Stephenson-Tommy Stack combination has slowed up a little, but nothing is more certain than that it will be back to its steady rhythm and tempo before long. Things are, in fact, not going too badly for them. With 29 winners, 5tephenson is second in the list to Fred Winter, two behind him, and Stack, with 33 successes, is still at the top of the table.

Kininvie, in the opening povice steeplechase (12.30), is probably the pick of the Stephenson runners. In four onlings he has won once and been second three times, and a week ago of Nortingham he was beaten a short head by Thomson Jones's Blue Shore, on whom David Mould rode a finely-judged race and finished it with charac-terisoc strength in the last 50 yards when making his challenge. Cantabet and the old horse Celtic Gold, winner of 24 races, represent Stephenson in the Shadforth Handicap Steeplechase (1.30) and

chase (2.30). Both should run well, ence that Tanora will stay but Cantabet, who fell on his last distance. His one success. oppearance, may find Earls Castle, trained for Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother by Ken Oliver, and the tirst royal borse he has had in his Hawick stable, too good for Cantabet.

It may he Oliver and Stephensoo first and second again in the Brandon Handicap Steeplechase with Half a Sixpence and Celifc Gold. Recently, at Catterick Bridge, Half a Sixpence beat the favourite, Clareville, by a short head, despite the fact that Captain head, despite the fact that Captain H. Baillie, who claims 7b, was putting up considerable overweight. Celdic Gold was three lengths away third, and with a few pounds advantage now he should finish closer to Half a Sixpence.

although I do not think he will reverse the Carterick Bridge form. Sally Hall's Shipwrecked, a six-length winner at Wetherby and later heaten in a photograph of later heaten in a sound display when fin close at Leicester to Jack H smart Drumador, and Que of later heaten in a photograph of later heaten in a photograph of later heaten in a photograph of later heaten in a sound display when fin close at Leicester to Jack H smart Drumador, and Que of later heaten in a sound display when fin close at Leicester to Jack H smart Drumador, and Que of later heaten in a sound display when fin close at Leicester to Jack H smart Drumador, and Que of later heaten in a sound display when fin close at Leicester to Jack H smart Drumador, and Que of later heaten in a sound display when fin close at Leicester to Jack H smart Drumador, and Que of later heaten in heaten in the later heaten in heaten i

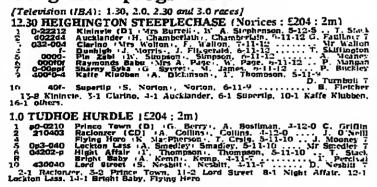
season was in a two-mile o' Peter Easterby sends two

young burdlers to courses far Malton: Night Nurse who hopes with good reason, will his fifth consecutive caci Chepstow for the Finale J. Hordle, and Fixby Gol: Uttoxeter for the Rocester year-old Handicap Hurdle. Gold, following two victorie well at Teesside Park two ago when just failing to give to Marcus Lady, and Eastern be not alone in considering well treated with 10st 8lb.

Quandary in the first divis the December Three-ye Hurdle (12.30), Go Perrys i third division (3.0), and St in the Sudhury Novices' St chase (2.30) are mree other:

Sedgefield programme

nhyiously. He has dealt most effectively with his opposition in



1.30 SHADFORTH STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 5272: 3m 250yd) 1p03-p0 Feol Free (C. Syvret), N. James, 8-10-12 P. Buckley 340-12u Cantabet (W. A. Stephenson), Stephenson, 5-10-5 ... T. Slack 11-3421 Earls Castio (Ct. Queen Mother), K. Oliver, 5-10-0 ... G. Yinkler J-5 Earls Castie, 2-1 Feel Free, 7-2 Cantabot 2.0 FERGUSON-FOSTER HURDLE (Handicap: £849: 21m)

USON-FOSTER HURDLE (Handicap: £849: 2!m)

The Cent / Wrs Cheesbrough V. Iv. A. Stephenson. 6:12: 1. Stack Shipwrockod (D) 'C. Pialis'. Miss Hall. 4:11:7. D. A'kin'. Cool Angol 'H. Rebahas Rebanas, 7:11:1. D. Nolan'. Tremendons 'R. Platte'. Platis, 5:10:9. D. Nunro Climersh (CDI 'J. Henderson'. T. Sarnes, 5:10:8. M. Barnes Dan Bornu (DI IT. Metaliet. C. Richards 8:10:4. J. O'Nelli Rush Creek (DI 'H. Lane. W. Simpson 9:10:2. A. Vicaner, Lucky Victory 'T. Ruichinson'. W. A. Stephenson, 5:10:2. M. Redlern Salmo Lady 'G Laobi. Lamb. 6:10:0. C. Holmes Salmo Lady 'G Laobi. Lamb. 6:10:0. C. Holmes Salmo Lady 'G Laobi. Lamb. 6:10:0. R. Cellions T. Aropools (C) 'P. Scotto!. D. Williams, 5:10:0. R. Cellions T. Tanora (C) 'J. Manners). Deny Smith. 5:10:0. D. Coulding Whitsunculli 'Virs Newton'. M. Natohion, 3:10:0. P. Bockley Perked, 7-2 The Gent. 9:4 Gilmsrsh, 6:1 Beginish, 8:1 Tanora, 19:1

2.30 BRANDON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £272: 2m) 1 1-32103 Calife Cold (D) (Va) Cillf-McCulloch), W. A. Stephroson,
3 4002-31 Holf a Sixpence (D) (Capi Baillie), K. Oliver, G. 12-12-2 T. Stack
4 22114-0 Scottleh Folly (CD) (Virs Kaiz), A. Basilim n. 7-11-7 D. Viturra
8 2004-0- Ann Rose (CD) (A Smedley), Smedley, 7-10-0 Vr Smedley 7
7-4 Cellic Gold, S-2 Half a Sixpence, 7-2 Scottleh Folly, 11-2 Suspender, 12-1
Ann Rose.

3.0 WHESSOE HURDLE (Div I : 3-y-0 novices : £170 : 2m) 4 Op Admiral Wolf: IR. Roberts: N. W. Fastechy: 11-3. C. Tinkler
6 Bellogan (Mrs. Laight). F. Wiles, T. Fastechy: 11-3. C. Crillin
7 Blue Baker (G. Berry: A. Bastiman, 1:5. S. Wiles, 7
10 O2 Christ Regal: T. McDonald: Ochys Smith, 11-3. O. Goulding
10 O0 Clever Princt (W. A. Stephenson): Simphoreson, 11-5. T. Slack
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17 Oppon
18 Overton (D. Bryrelon: M. James, 11-3. D. Aikins
19 Oppon
1 3.25 WHE5SOE HURDLE (Div II: 3-y-o novices: £170: 2m)

2 O Crey Asjow (Mrs Anderson), S. Nesbill, 11:13. M. Blacishaw
6 Debuilden Li. Cradr Wilson), S. Keil, 11:3. M. Blacishaw
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Uttoxeter programme



1.0 SNELSTON STEEPLECHASE (Handican: £272: 23m)

Eyron Chokea (R. Nurphyr., Nurphyr., 10-11-11 ... R. Device Reich Mark (R. Duffin), H. D'Neill, 10-18-8 ... Criffiths Stowinson Lano (Cl. P. Bevant, Bevan, 10-11-1 ... R. Etans State Visitor (F. Baidrey; M. Oliver, 11-10-10 ... P. Barton 7 Eaplorer (A. Ficicher, K. Bridgweiger, B-10-11 ... R. Charley 7 Colden 160 (C) F. Wingell, H. Morris, 12-10-7 ... B. Charley 7 Colden 160 (C) F. Wingell, H. Morris, 12-10-7 ... P. Morris Desy's Cottage (G. Barley, E. Lenes, 5-10-7 ... D. Carrerfeht Blasta Blaze (Wr. Alkins), 0. O'Heill, 9-10-7 ... J. Bourse 3 Somers of Woston (J. Edwards), H. O'Neill, 8-10-7 ... J. Bourse 3 Somers of Woston (J. Edwards), H. O'Neill, 8-10-7 ... D. Christ 7 0.000p-0 Any Prince (Mrs McAlpine), W. Francis, 0.10-7 A. K. Taylor 7 00r00-0 Hanson (Mrs Bridgelit), P. Bridgeli, 8-10-7 A. K. Taylor 7 11 Isleammida, 11X1-30 Island Chief, 4-2 Reich Mark, 6-1 Eyron Choice, 8-1 V's Collage, Blante Bleze, 10-1 Golden Idol, 14-1 others. 1.30 ROCESTER HURDLE (4-y-o handicap : £442 : 2m 180yds)

2.00 OECEMBER HURDLE (Div II : 3-y-0 : £272 : 2m 180yds)

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3.00 DECEMBER HURDLE (Div III: 3-y-o: £272: 2m 180yds)

Uttoxeter selections

12.30 Quandary, 1.0 Island Chief, 1.30 FIXBY GOLD is specially recommended, 2.0 Teasing Wind, 2.30 Shirlath, 3.0 Go Perrys.

Barleu. b. c. by Tomplon—Blaue Woge 'Lord flartingion'. 12.10 B. R. Davice (2.7) Suffice. b. f. by Faberge II—Treks (Mr. M. Soames). 10-9 R. Pilman (20-1) 2 Queen's Tressurs. b.f. by Queen's Hussar—Catchy Lyric (Mr. A. Rovingdon'. 10-9 H. Wokley (12-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 13-2 Skytrain (p). 10-1 Mightler Yel. 33-1 Silver Festival. 50-1 Dabi Orchid (4th). Fighting Agnus. Space Prolect. 9 ran.

TOTE Win. 13:p places. 10-p. 19s.

TOTE Win, 13p; places, 10¹-p, 19p, 19p; dual forecast, Adg. D. Moriey, at Bury St Edmunds, 'al., 'al.

2.45 12.471 NORMAH NOVICES STEEPLECHASE | DIV II: \$340: 2m)

Cieo Baby, b m. by Dicia Drake-Royal Star (Mrs D. Wills), 6-11-2 S. May (4-1) 3

Brown Admiral, or g. by Sargelio
—Droam of Durrow iMr H.
Zelsci. S-11-ft K. B. White ia-9:
March West, br h. by March Past
Rino iMr I. Campbelir, 7-10-11
G. Darmall (11-1)

Fakenham programme

Chepstow programme

| Television (BBC1): 12.45, 1.15, 1.45, and 2.15 races]

12.45 PANAMA CIGAR HURDLE (45-0: 51,128: 2m)



1.45 PANAMA CIGAR CHAMPIONSHIP (4-y-o: Hurdle: 5844:

5-2 Barder Incident, 3-1 Prince Antoine, 11-2 Buckle, 7-1 Riberco, 10-1 Revise, Crofter, 12-1 Croome, Flambeau, 14-1 others.

1.15 FAIR OPPORTUNITY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £204:

203 mon-00 Horwell (M. Low), Low, 7-11-7
304 40-0323 Tinker Boy (R. Austen), O. Kent, 8-11-2
207 no-0040 Star Beauty (Mrs Robertson), I. Dudgeco, 6-10-7 R. Floyd
208 p-00342 Moonas River (Mrs Robertson), D. Nicholson, 6-10-6, R. Dickin
209 document of the Bind (W. Poller, G. Davies, 7-10-5, C. Jones 5
211 noonre (Pris Bind) (W. Poller, 6-10-5), C. Harring
2-1 Moonre River, 5-2 Westwayn, 4-1 Tinker Boy, 8-1 Stac Beauty, 10-1

11 French Pfn (D) (Mrs. Lyburn); G. Richards, 11-3; R. Barry 17 Jar (B) (C. St. Courge); H. Price; 11-3; P. Kellewsiy Admired's Sird (Mrs. Notlay); E. Besson, 11-0; J. Jankims Baan IL. Poffer); Poirer, 11-0; C. Harrby 7; Edgars Plan (Mrs. Ramsden); J. Sutchiffs, Jun. 11-0; B. Rouse of First Footnean (H. Thomasi, J. Hindley, 11-0; W. Smith Tho Cingse Horse (P. Blackburn); Miss Moorts, 11-0; P. Keane 7; The Criggie (D) (R. Starthan); G. Harwood, 11-0; C. Read Hiram Maxim (Mrs. Powerl); F. Rimell, 11-0; K. White Harm Maxim (Mrs. Powerl); F. Rimell, 11-0; K. White Govern (R. Hounon); Hannoo, 11-0; K. Riyes 7; C. Losam (D) (Mrs. Maxis; D. Barons, 11-0; K. Riyes 7; C. Losam (D) (Mrs. Maxis; D. Barons, 11-0; K. Riyes 7; C. Carentai, R. Smyth, 11-0; J. King Night Hurse (D) (R. Spencer); M. H. Easterby, 11-0; P. Broderick

Paymaster (S. Roberts, D. Barons, 11-0
P. Broderick
Politominsky (D) (S. Rallem; W. Marshall, 11-0 M. Wagner
Royai Epic 1R. Headt, V. Cross, 11-0
Sarine Pathlos (My Livermors; C. Rooney 11-0 Mg Rooney 3
St Caorses Mill (J. Robinson), P. Balley, 11-0 G. MCNall
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1 0-110 Tax Fast Dine 'H. Kionarides', J. E. Surcitifo, 11-7 ... R. Hughes 2200704

200704 Seel Moric (A. Dewsbury), B. Cambidge, 11-7 ... Mr Evans 7

200703 Cone for a festor wire Weich, 1. Weich, 11-0 ... D. Coomer 7

200703 Cone for a festor wire Weich, J. Weich, 11-0 ... D. Coomer 7

Leveloy 'C. Rykens', Thomson Jones, 11-0 ... D. Nooley

200703 Taxtambam Fair 'A. Bollom', W. O'Corman, 11-0 ... Weikinson

201704 Cone for a festor wire Leveloy, 11-1 ... B. R. Davies

201705 Taxtambam Fair 'A. Bollom', W. O'Corman, 11-0 ... Weikinson

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Fakenham selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 12,45 Sasha. 1.15 Boh Short. 1.45 Punch Up. 1.15 Silver Bing Beechwalk. 3.15 Holly Park.

2.15 WILLIAM HILL HURDLE (Handiep: 5441: 2m 200pd)

2.45 WILLIAM HILL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £399

7 49-3033 Roman Law (M. Toulson . G. Wallace, 8-10-0 . . . 7-3 Seechwalk, 11-4 Happy Cooncilior, 7-2 Sono Soi, 6-1 Roolingle Poka, 10-1 Evening Witness

3.15 WEST NORFOLK STEEPLECHASE (£340 : 2m 55yd)

5f 180yd)
04-1302 Soho Set (CD) P. Wire: J. Bloom 9-12-2 Mr Skt 010-011 Becchwalk J. Sunmer: T. Forster 11-11-11 ... Mr Skt 190021 Heppy Councillor 'Mr Norion', S. Norion', T.-0-4 ... S. Norion', S. Norion', S. Norion', S. Norion', S. Norion', S. Norion', P. Felgalt, 7-10-0 ... I. We 12-4003 Dingle Poke (A. Dickinson: P. Felgalt, 7-10-0 ... Mr Sto 2-041p0 Evening Wilmes 1CD) 'Mrz Hesicy', T. Hesicy', Wr Sto 2-041p0 Evening Wilmes (G. Wallaco, 8-10-0 R. Verlage, P. Mr Sto

2213-20 Tudor Jewai (CD1 8 Wise, 1 Vise, 6-11-6 ... C. f. p00307 Princ's Abe (K. Surion'), Sution, 6-11-7 ... 8 Po 31 Silver Bing, R. Cabler, D. Weeden, 7-11-5 ... J. 143- Van Cogh (K. Taylor'), G. Wallace, 5-10-8 ... R. Oddwod McCall (C. Tofts), A. Goodwill, 5-10-2 ... I. Wallace, 5-10-8 ... R. Van Cogh, 6-1 McCall, 8-1 Princ

12.45 Sasha. 1.45 Lovejoy. 2.15 McCall.

2.15 LADBROKE BRISTOL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 2m) 402 p-22321 Puckham (D) (R. Blandford), M. Scudamore, 10-10-8 403 023-430 Eghert (D) (P Cadbury), T. Forster, 6-10-6 P. Du 101 002-210 Foursquare (D) (F Walaym), Walvyn, B-10-2 R. 105 201-00 Emperor's Lade (CD) (T. Crawlord), F. Sthedt, 8-10-2 R. 108 0012-4 Fabrana (Mrs. Mealett, C. Rarnns, 7-10-0 R. 108 0012-4 Fabrana (CD) (1 Rular W. Fisher, R-fold) C. 7-1 Puckham, 7-2 Eobert, J-1 Foursquare, 17-2 Emperor's Lade, 7-Spirit, 10-1 Taman.

2.45 FESTIVE HURDLE (Div I : Novices : £272 : 2m) SOS

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3.15 FESTIVE HURDLE (Div II : Novices : £272 : 2m) 1214 Papa Hoel (9) (G. \$1 Ceorpe: R. Price 5-11-10

21 Party Thea 10) (D. Unicervond': Inderwood. 5-11

Andromeda II F. Edwillecham': Rosley, 6-11-0; 1

Bhouts Khan 17 Powell The Market 10 P. (10-10)

Occument Mar T. Powell The Market 10 P. (10-10)

Dance Hard (0, Mort. J. Bradley, 6-11-0; 1

Dave's Choica IP. Trevell: J. 01d, 5-11-0

Hoodo (L. Barriesi, F. Rimell: 6-11-0

Jimmy Lighter (H. Carrood): R. Vibert, 5-11-0

Lord Tandy (Mr. Grimsdale), M. Scudsmore, 7-11-0

Papa Hoel, 2-1 Party Time, 8-1 Master Bny, 12-1 Hondo, Cromwell, 16-1 Machine, Dance Hard, 25-1 others, Doublist runner

Sedgefield selections

Chepstow results

12.45 112.481 NORMAH NOVICES'
STEEPLECHASE IDIV 1: £340: 2m:
Brantelese Farmer, ch. g. by HarraION-Autumn Poem Mrs L.
Richlet. S. Smith (10-11 fav) 2

Eahlbit B. b g. by Vulgan—Rosbrin Rose (Mr F. Manhelm), 4-11-0 A. Branford (14-1) 2

A. Besnford (14-1) 2
Somethings Missing, br ig, by Polic—Ocolitia Too Mr. K. Coodsil., 6-11-7 J. Sothern 13-1 3
ALSO RAN 5-1 Willy What 14th, 12-1 Onnvbroot, 20-1 Bright Bearin, 23-1 Miracle Lad, Condac, Astronaute, Tanavogus, 10 ran, TOTE; Win, 17p; bleces, 12p, 30p, 16p; chal forecast, C1.69, F. Walwyn, at Lambourn, 30l, al.

1.15 :1.21) RDMAH HURDLE (4-y-o:

Leros, ch c. by Articulate—Dam's name ourrelisiered iMr J. Sprioos: 11-0 R. Chempion (11-2; 1

Super Saxon, 0 g, by Super 9am
—April 8lioper Mr A. Ayletti
11-0 . J. Jenkins 100-30 fav 2

Claus—Spotted Wine (Mr T. Crawford), 11-0 R. R. Evans (13-1) 3

12.30 Kininvie. 1.0 Prince Town. 1.30 Earl's Castle. 2.0 SHIPWRECKED is specially recommended. 2.30 Half a Sixpence. 3.0 Bellogan. 3.30 Gray Aglow.

By Our Racing Correspondent 12.45 Border Incldent. 1.15 Tinker Boy. 1.45 Philominsky. 2.15 Emperor's Jade. 2.45 Installa. 3.15 PAPA NOEL is specially recom-mended.

Teeside Park results

12.30 (12.33) ROKER HURDLE (D)v TOTE: Win, £1.01: pieces. 15p. 13p. 20p. C. H. Bell, al Hawick. 3l. 3l. 20b. C. H. Sell, all Hawick, St. 51.

1.0 11.21 HENDOH STEEPLECHASE Handirap: £179: 2mi

Marcla's Mark, gr q, by Counael—
Impela (Mr J. Serry), 9-11-11

Walden Riph Sterry, 9-11-9

War T. Hought, 9-11-9

Toughle, b g. by Hard Ripden—Jini

(Mrs A. Neughloni, 7-11-5

B. Powell (4-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-1 The Roamer /pi, 8-1 Entre Nous (#h), 35-1 Arcill Frident for, Novarezasu fpi, 8tr favails. 8 ran. TOTE: Win, 23p; places, 13p, 11p, 14p; 6tal forcess, 40p, J. Berry, at Lencaster, 12t, 5. Lancaster. 121, 51.

1.30 | 11.30 | MILLFIELD STEEPLE.
CHASE | Handicap: £239 | Sm 51yds1

Valgan's Trout, ch o by Willy Trout
—Manillis Vulgan | Mr A.

Corner: 6-10-0 gan | Mr A.

Gen Owen, b g. by Massier Owen—
Glenwins | Lid Cadogan | 7-12-3

P. Buckley | 11-41 | 2

Massier Val, b g. by Massier Rocky

Volhalia | Mrs & Tremswan | 7-10-0 | ...

ALSO RAN: 6-2 fav Milles Apert | 17-1

CTE will | 19-1

TOTE: Will | 19-1

Oussi forecast | £1.30 | A. Corner | al

Richmond | 13-1 | nk.

2.0 | 12.21 | SUNDERLAND | NURDLE 2.0 (2.2) SUNDERLAND NURDLE (Handlesp: £374: 2m 176yds)
Stay Sall, b g, by Khaikis—Melos
(Bir H. Fraser), 6-11-8
P. Brogan levens fav)
Frost Bancher, b p, by Bounicous—
Top Shelf 1Mrs D. Gordon),
B-11-7 ... D. Munro 111-21
2 Acckisend, 2 d, 1-1.

Kanpak, ch riq, by Sashaway—Flush Royal (Mr J. Finlayson) 6-18-2 ... P. Broderick (12-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 13-2 Childwell (f. 10-1 Milesian Star 1b. 14-1 Si Benedici. 20-1 Part One (pr. 25-1 Aigalola (4th). 50-1 Camus. 9 rsn. TOTE: Win. 17p: places. 101-p. 55p: dual forecast. 65p. Mrs S. Ches-more, at Drymen. 1-2. 2.30 (2.32) MOWBRAY STEEPLE-CHASE (Novices: £340: 21,m1

Fly Bya. br 9. by Lilifa Buskins—
Deed Fly 18rig J. Paterkin: 7.16 ft; 18rig J. Pater G. Holmes (2-1 tay) of AlSO RAN 6-1 Mosemon (1-1 Billstone (f), 10-1 Byramo Bunc (ro'), [4-1 Gool Thrust, Osgodby Coppico ip), 18-1 Don Rabifo. 30-1 Soutra (4th), 33-1 Salmon Retx (p),

A.R. (3.4) ROKER HURDLE (1.5)
Rovices: £170; 2m 176yds (1.5)
Westby La6, b 9, by Tachtus—1
Green (Mr H. Lee), 5-11-1,
I. Skiffingion (R-11 f
Brava Loot, b 9, by Cash
Courage—Abernelte (Mr
David, 5-11-0), R Grank (1.6)
Eterake, th h, by Weish Rak
Glernal Truth (Mr Marche)
5-11-0 (1.6)
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ALSO DAM (1.5) ALSO RAH 10-1 Crackamans (1), 12-1 Pride of Plwcca, 11-serane, Red Design, 20-1 Su X-1 Kickham (Jih), Ortave, bank, Sonciel (p), Spondulicka (Jourse, 14 ran, TOTE: Win. 24pt obsers. Light observed. Light obsers. Light obsers. Light obsers. Light obsers. Light obsers. Light obsers. Light observed. Light ob

Show jumping

Mrs Mould has two reasons for wishing it were 1975

ALSO RAN: 11-2 Super Mex (n).
7-1 Angel Aboard (dth), 8-1 Alcola,
Ammouth, 10-1 Merry Vision, 11-1
Easterose, 12-1 Wyemero Rocket, 11-1
Deibounty, 16-1 Naval Power, Stanford
Rridge, 25-1 Clansman, Markus Royal.
Winning Soversies, 16-78 (2011) 2

Marion Mould, who heads the points table io today's Victor Ludorum at the Dunhill Inter-oaBonal Show, hrought off the second half of a double for the distaff side at Olympia yesterday. Riding her eight-year-old Irish mare Dunlynne ("No, we doo't know how she's hred, hut we've got her full sister at home!" her hushand Darid quipped afterwards), she won the Christmas Pudding Stakes with a last-mioute that the state of the challenge which put her 2.9sec clear of Tony Newbery with War-wick, who are no laggards.

Eight went into the barrage, Eight went into the barrage, and Ferdi Tyteca, going fourth from last, pulled off the first clear round on Magnus for Belgium in 35.3sec. Newbery cut the bime to 34sec on Warwick and, nn Harvey 5mlth's Salvador, Nelson Pessna had a fence down in 35.4sec.

I ast women's world file of the series in La Baule, when Ann Moore announced har refirement in early July.

"I wish it had heen next year", she said yesterday. "The horses are getting more dependable every day." But she bas no lin 35.4sec.

But Mrs Mould, who in Mexico in 1968 became the first But Mrs Mould, who in Mexico first European open championship in 1968 became the first woman at Munich next June. "I don't to win an individual Olympic show

jumping medal, pulled off the winning round on Dunlynne, the holder of the Lancia Trophy, in winning round on Dunlynne, the holder of the Lancia Trophy, in a mere 31.1sec.

Dunlynne and John Gamble, who will go out to grass for their winter's rest on Sunday, and will not reappear until the Royal Windsor Show in May, are Mrs Mould's solo comaining show jumpers. She has sold all her covices as she finds it difficult to adjust from young to half-experienced horses. They are the pair on which, having won the first women's world championship at Hickstead on Stroller in 1965, she was selected to contest the last women's world ritle of the series in La Baule, when Ann Moore announced har refrement in early July.

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TOTE: Win. 65p; places, 44p, 26p 65p. J. Cifford, at Findon, 5i, 5i.

.45 (1.49) JOHNNY CLAY STEEPLE-CHASE (Handicap: £835; 3°4m)

Bantley Boy. b g. by Manticoo— Polyllinders 'Mr H. Cibbon: 9-10-11 . J. Suthern (5-1 fav) King's Lore, or B. by King's Couo— Mysuk: Lure 'Mr D. Todd. 10-10-5 . J. J. O'Halli (6-1)

10-10-5 . J. J. O'Hall (6-1) 2
Charley Winking. 0 0, 09 Vulgan
—Wesion Girl Mr L, Scott.
9-9-10 ... John Williams (6-1) 2
ALSO RAN: 6-1 Flippant Fred (1,
10-1 Junior Partner (70) Sallybright
Lihi, Hally Percy (p.) Sixer 12-1
Jonion, 16-1 Deblins Groen, Prophecy.
30-1 Highland Spail (p.) 35-1 Nill Bay
1p. Golden Toles (r), 13 ran.

TOTE, Win. 90p: places, 23o, 22p, 10p. D. Hicholson, at Stow-on-thr-Wold, 12), 2 cl.

Earlier, Caroline Bradley took the Duohill Have a Camble on True Lass, who scored 750 pts in a fast 46.3sec. Touy Newbery, just returned from South Africa with David Bronme and Paddy McMabon. was again runner-up, this time on Snoffles, with 640 pts, and Mrs Mould third on John Gamble with 610.

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DUNHILL CHRISTMAS PUODING STAKES: 1. Mr. D. Mould's Dunlynne:

1. T. Newbery's Warwick III; 3. F. Typecs: Magnis. Beginn DUHHILL HAVE A GAMBLE: 1. Miss C. Bradley's True Lass: 2. T. Newbery's Snalles; 3. Mrs D. Mould's John Gamble GLORR STAKES: 1. G. Pietcher's Taurs Dors! 2. C. Manchell's Bel Giseau (fally): 3. John Gamble Bel Giseau (fally): 3. John Gamble

Graham Fletcher took up the British baton which had been held the first two major erents.

Riding Tauna Dora, holder of the leading show jumper ritle, he

32.4 seconds to heat the holder of the Olympic individual gold medal, Graziano Mancinelli, on Bel Oiseau, for Italy by 0.9 sec. Mariou Mould finished third in 35.5 seconds on John Gamble, ooe tenth of B second faster than Switzerland's Paul Weier on Wulf, with the only other clear round in the nine-horse final. Earlier in the evening, the

ALSO RAN: 15-1 Frango (4th), 25-1 Heart of Oak 10:, 33-1 Hajah of Bong. Cango. 7 ran. TOTE: Win, 11p: places, 10*so. 18p: dual for-cast, 36o. F. Rhmeil at Sovern Stoke. 81, 71.

3.15 (3.32) CELTIC HURDLE (Handle

Cap. 2080. Sm:
Hogan Hills, ch b, by Miragio—
Tiara III : Mr F. Gleon: 5-9-7
Mark Mr P. Hobbs (11-8 fav.)
Magic Moomain, b m. by Menelek
—Avra (Mrs. M. Paravichil).
5-11-5. Mr S. Parkyn 19-11
Ragal Isle, b g. by Right Roys! V
—Hellt : Mr. O. Henley: 5-9-7
ALSO RAH-S-1 McGreen Fanter.

ALSO RAH: 9-1 Mister Fantasy, 10-1 3 dulation, 11-1 Kashrup, Lovers Leap, to Songwriter 19, 12-1 Prince George, 1-1 The Norsemen, Oon Schastian, igh Talk, Evagoras (41h), 25-1 avtree 1p., Jachhalot 191, Hsval effstr 17, Mark Cross, Royal Tornado, 18 in,

ron.
TOTE: Win. Nep: places. 12p. 18p.
31p. 25p athr. Mrs E. Kennard all
Tunton. Rl. 15l.
TOTE DOUBLE: Bentley Roy. Brown
Admiral. E3.60. TREBLE: Lerus.
Bantley, Hogan Hills. 28.35. JACKPO7:

London Trophy was won for France by Hubert Parot on the 15-year-old Port Royal, who also took in his stride the Washington, New York and Toronto shows. He was nearly five seconds faster, with one of only two clear rounds, than Lional Dunning on Gray's China, an eight-year-old Dutch horse owned by the Staffordshire china firm whose stand is an invested part of the scene at all integral part of the scene at all the leading shows and horse

Boxing

home in his new-found world By Neil Allen Boxing Correspondent

British amateur boxing's loss may he Canada's gain in time for the 1976 Monreal Olympics. David James, the former Amateur Boxing Association entional coach, has been invited to run a 10-day Canadian Olympic hoxing course from Japuary 2 at Halifax, Nova Scotia, which will involve a brief leave of absence from his new post as assistant director of physical recreation at Kent Huisershy University.

James who, with his colleague Kerin Hickey, had such a success with the British team at Munich in 1972, has twice turned down offers to coach amareur boxing in Canada full time. (One boxing in Canada full time. (One was even made io my garden one summer's day by visiting Canadian officials.) James is delighted with his move to academic life, but I shall not be surprised if the Canadians arge him to get permission to be available to them for the final build-up in training of their team in 1976.

Iroutcally, the technical director at Halifax will be Al Tummon, the indge who voted against Britain's Alan Minter in his Munich Olympic semi-final bont.

New York, Dec 20.—Muhammad Ali, the world heavyweight champion, and Ron Lyle, the third-ranked contender, have agreed terms for a file hout next spring, a source close to Lyle said yesterday. The bout would be held in March or April in New York, Denver or "an udetermined country" in the Middle East.—Reuter.

Rackets

James away from Mockridge proves to be fitter and faster

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stronger player after suffering 2
hiltzkreig of hitting from the
sturdy and powerful Nicholls in
two of the first three games.

Last season these two mer in Last season these two met in the semi-final round of the colts the semi-final round of the coits event, Nicholls winning in five games, and larer taking the title. Mockridge had ohviously absorbed some of the lessons from that contest. When he was not forced backwards by the pace and weight of his opponents' hitting, he directed his attack on to Nicholls' backhand side, his weaker wing, using the angles cleverly and keeping the ball low.

In the fourth game Mockridge's service cut into the walls well enough for him to recover from 0—7 to 7—7 in one hand, and from 8—10 to 14—10 in another. Then he opened the final game with a run of seven and this just shout broke Nicholls's spirit.

Nicholls, holding good leads in the second and fourth games, had two disastrous spells of hitting down. His conceotration wavered, his judgment and timing erred, and he became slower the

his judgment and timing erred, and he became slower. As one has

By Our Reckets Correspondent
Paul Nichoils (Malveru) the number two seed, was heaten in the first round of the H. K. Foster Cup, the schools racket championship, at Queen's Cluh yesterday. His elder hrother, Mark, the number one seed and holder of the cop, was taken to five games.

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Results:

H. K. FOSTER CUP. Brol round.

M. W. Hicholls (Malvern) 0c3: W. A. Hollington (Halleybury) 15—17, 16—5, 16—17, 15—5, 15—6; R. A. I. Myrtle (Wiochestor) besl T. H. W. Priday (Mariboroogh) 15—8, 4—18, 15—9, 15—5, F. C. Salow (Rugby) beal M. I. H. Perkins (Wellington) 15—1, 15—3, 15—1; J. O. D. Orders (Winchester) beal C. J. L. Paul (Harrow, 15—5, 5—19, 15—11, 15—0, M. A. Scart (Harrow, 15—5, 15—11, 15—0, M. A. Coulden, 15—10, 15—10, 15—7; W. Ormond (Wellington) beal M. A. Tares (Malvern) 15—10, 15—5, 9—15, 15—11, 15—10, 15—10, 15—11, 15—11, 15—10, 15—11, GOLTS SEMI-FIHAL ROUND: H. R. Murray-Philippon (Elon) beat A. J. B. McDonaid (Maiteurn 15-5, 16-15, 15-5; Ib. M. (tindell (Harrow) beat B. Walson (Mariborough) 15-11, 15-1, 18-16.

Watkins applies

David Watkins, an international player at both Rugby Union and Rugby League, has applied for the post of coach to the Welsh international team to compete io the new five nations Rughy League tournament in Anstralia next summer. Watkins, who was a professional with Salford, re-tired recently as a player because of injury. seen before be did not look cap-able of a sustained effort. If he

Skiing

Race cancelled after course judged unsafe

Sauze d'Ouze, Italy. Dec The organizers of a men's pean Cup downhill race, sche to take place here tomorrow today that they had cancel, after complaints by the Swis Austrians teams that the was unsafe.

The decision was approve the International Ski Federa technical delegate, Frai Curbaz, of Switzerland, on Austrian judge, Helnz Pachle well as the Italian orgac Italian teom officials said believed the Austrians and had complained about the c because they were afraid o strength of the Italian te

Ice hockey

HATIOHAL LEACUE: Boston
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panel to look

news that the freeze on com-mercial rents is to be lifted. It was disclosed in a written

that the main task of the group would be to examine the arrangements for carrying out development of commercial property, and the part played

Crosland

Clash with oil nations expected is French affirm gold revaluation

France intends to revalue its rional gold reserves, but has osen not to do so imme-nely. M Jean-Pierre Four-le, the Freoch Finance nister, said in Paris yesterday revaluation might take ice io January. This statement came 24 hours

er the Shab of Iran had cen a warning that the raluation of gold by the lustrial countries would lead a further sharp rise in the ce of oil and endanger the ernational monetary system. some observers suggest it y be significant that the soch have chosen not to we on the revaluation issue mediately, following the rement reached earlier this ek oo Martinique between esident Ford and President card d'Estaing, which per-is the up-valuation of gold any country that wishes to

Fourcade imed that precise details for b a move bad not yet been alized and no date had been 2d for implementation. be likely basis for any aluation is likely to be the

rage free market price of metal over the previous ee months, less a margin of few percentage points to rd against market price

letween the beginning of ober and yesterday, the free :ket price bad ranged from 4 to \$191 an ounce, comed to the current official netary price, at which ional gold boldings are sed, of \$42.22 an ounce. t now appears that the Shah

frao and probably the other

countries unless there is some retreet from the positions now takeo up.
The Shah's principal objection to a revaluation of mone-tary guld is the likely infla-tionary impact that it might have on the world economy be-cause it would result in a huge increase in international money. This could lead to rising prices for many traded goods and a consequent fall in the purchasing power of oil payments denominated in dollars. Thus in real terms the value of exported

oi! would be devalued. The industrialized nations possess more than 80 per cent of gold held in the non-communist world's national reserves.
At the present official price this worth about 543,000m (about £18.700m) but would rise to about \$190,000m if valued at current free market prices.

Such a revaluation would help the oil cnasuming countries very considerably in paying for their oil if gold were actually to be sold and the proceeds used for international settlements. So far it has only been agreed that monetary gold be revalued for accounting purposes to provide nations with a better credit

rating.
It is also held that a higher price for monetary gold would simply be a recognition of past inflation, restoring its relative level to that of other commodi-

But if revalued gold were used indirectly to pay for oil, it would also vastly increase the industrialized nations' claims on real resources such as oil, while reducing relatively the claims of

Because the latter groop own about 30 years production of oil possess the equivalent of several rers are set on a collision decades of gold production, a rse with the oil consuming power struggle could ensue.

IS bullion auction barred) foreign governments

the American Treasury d today. The first auction, two million ounces of gold. n Jaouary 6. larket rumours that Arab

producing cnuntries would ticipate in the January 6

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ance Minister, told a press ference that fur the sake of plification credit restricts would be calculated next r from the fixed hase of

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iable base of credit actually dout by baoks. But inis asure jovolved no loosening

le also announced that inest rates on savings bank ounts would be raised next r from 6.5 to 7.5 per cent;

I that compulsory reserves ced with the Bank of uce on medium term depo-

i would be ended.
The first measure announced the minister's budget speech designed to encourage saves without instituting a system of indexing interest, which, the government's view, and be inflationary.
The decision to substitute a research base—the last two

re recent base—the last two evious quarters—for the ger one used hitherto of the responding month of the evious year in calculating of edit margins will enable the place of the area.

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Banks are forbidden to in-ease credit by more than two ints in the first quarter, and

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today announced widespread thington, Dec 20 agreement among governments oreign governments will not that International Monetary allowed to take part in gold Fund rules preventing central outline agreement can soon be tions organized by the banks from buying gold should reached between all parties remain in force.

IMF sources believe it likely, however, that agreements will soon be reached enabling countries to buy and sell

bullion again.

The January 6 auction is open had prompted questions on the foreign central banks officials said there was nothing lr Jack Bennett, Under Secury for Monetary Affairs,

Jensen will cut car production by 50 pc

Jensen Motors, West Bromwich, is to cut production of its big Interceptor saloons and Healey sports cars by 50 per cent immediately because of sharply depressed sales in its biggest market, the United States.

At a day-long meeting with union officials yesterday, Mr kjel Qvale, Jensen's American chairman and owner, said this would inevitably lead to substantial reduced to substantial redundancies among the labour force of 1,200.

Union sources believe that as many as 400 will lose their jobs, but the company empha-sized last night that no decisions bad yet been made. The final arrangements, which will be worked out with union offi-cials and shop stewards, will include short-time working and as much voluntary redundancy as possible.

The extent of the cutback-from 130 cars a week to 65-is much bigger than expected.

Mr Qvale returned to the United States a fortnight ago to obtain first band reports from his dealers. So alarmed was be that be sent back a message almost immediately giving warning of the need for redundances.

At that time union spokesmen said they bad been told to prepare for up to 200 redundancies, which would affect only workers on the Intercep-

But with 1,300,000 unsold cars on factory sites in the United States and with widespread sbutdowns and layoffs at General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, the picture is grow-ing gloomier for all importers.

Ferranti says Government stake is likely

Ferranti, which ran into cash difficulties earlier this year, publicly acknowledged for the

publicly acknowledged for the first time yesterday that the rescue operation by the Government is bkely to involva a state sharebolding.

The group's newspaper stated that it was boped that outline agreement could be reached soon. There would be further meetings with Mr Benn's staff at the Department of Industry, "aod it is boped that initial outline agreement can soon be government, work force and management-on the fundamental pattern of government aid, government participation in whatever form is decided and

future company structure".

"However", the statement continued, "under this Government, participation is likely to involve a sbareholding and as sbareholders they will want some say in bow the company is to be run."

Deputy chairman of FNFC resigns after 'implied allegation' over his appointment

By Mourice Corina Industrial Editor Mr Alan H. Challis, the man at the centre of some of the Crown Agents' most cootrover-sial deals, last night resigned as deputy chairman of the First National Finance Corporation. His decision comes after the announcement earlier this week that the Government will inject ESSm into the Crown Agents' unincorporated financial organi-

zation, which is now greatly writing down its assets.
Crown Agents was holding an 8.5 per cent interest in the First National fringe banking group when Mr Challis resigned on November 11, 1973, as director of finance for the agents. With the approval of the last Govern-ment he promptly joined First National and became a joint

deputy chairman.

Mr Challis played a leading role in part of the series of

complex investments in property and other companies since 1968, and had a significant say in the placing of deposits. More than a few of Crowo Agents' deals have come in for adverse critic ism both inside and outside Parliament.

A full report on the circumstances leading up to the organization's request for state assistance is now being prepared by its new chairman, Mr John Cashan Cuckney.

Mrs Judith Hart, Minister of State for Overseas Development, told the Commons on Wednesday she boped to make a report available to members in due course. She indicated that if there are to be indicated that if there was to be an inquiry, whatever form it took, the involvement of a member of the staff might well be a proper

subject for inquiry.

Last night Mr Challis said: After some hesitation, be"1 would personally welcome cause of his 37 years with the

such an inquiry. In the mean-time, however, I wish to place on record the fullowing: "In June 1969, the Crown Ageots decided on purely investment criteria to acquire a substantial stake in First National. As a major shareholder, the Crown Agents were

invited to nominate a director to the board, which invitation they accepted."

Then in October 1970, the Crown Agents' officer who bad joined First National's board resigned, and be was nominated to succeed, as a non-executive

director.

Mr Challis continued that early in 1973 be was invited to joio First National full time, particularly to take charge of the overseas investment prothe overseas investment pro-gramme that group intended to

at property Crown Agents, he accepted, subdevelopment
Mr Crosland, Secretary of
State for the Environment, is ject to appropriate sanction. In due course this permission was fortboming from the relevant authorities, including the then minister (Mr Richard Wood). He duly joined First National in settiog up a group to advise the department on certain aspects a full-time capacity in Novemof commercial property de-velapment following Toursday's

From this it would be clear that the taking up of the appointment was in fact approved by Mrs Harr's own department.

ber, 1973.

"Nevertbeless, the coordined implied allegation of some irregularity in my appointment not only casts a cloud over me personally, but also harms First National Finance Corporation", he added. "In these circumstances I feel 1 cannot continue as an executive of the company and I have, therefore, decided to tender my resignation from the board."

VW chief

resignation

of which Herr Leiding is the

cbairman, will meet on January 10 to decide whether to allow Herr Leiding to step down, a spokesman said.

Volkswagen, which bas been suffering falling sales figures, this week announced temporary layoffs affecting 30,000

The company relies beavily

on American markets, but recorded a 25 per cent drop in

United States sales in the first

nine months of this year over the same period in 1973.

Herr Leiding and the rest of the VW board bave been reported at odds over Herr Leiding's plan to build an assembly plant in the United

Leiding's offer to step down came as a surprise to motor Industry circles last pight, par-

reached this country suggesting that his bealth was failing.

However, Europe's largest

of its worst recession ever and

offers

by investors, developers and local authorities. The group, to be headed by Sir Deonis Pilcher, will also consider bow these arrangements may change

BLMC board convene

shop stewards briefing Eritisb Leyland's entire executive board will meet 400 shop stewards representing workers from its 59 factories on January 10 to brief them un the negotiatioos for government participa-

Management will be making the point that the guarantee of government backing in on way opens the door to bigger wase demands, while the shopfloor will be pressing for more to-

volvement in decision-making.
City concern is growing about
the future for British Leyland
sbareholders. It is understood
that about six big City institutions will get together soon to present the sharebolders' case to the Government to any recon-

Unit trust sales down

Gross unit trust sales in November were slightly up at £15.2m compared with £14.8m in October but a jump in repur-chases, up from £6m, in £8.1m. resulted in lower net sales of £7.13m compared with £8.8m.

Governor's visit

Mr Gordon Richardson, the Governor of the Bank of England is leaving Britain on December 29 for a short visit to Nigeria. The visit forms part of a continuing programme of such

The board and Union officials are said to bave blocked the plan for fear of increasing even further the nation's un-employment total of 800,000. Clifford Webb writes: Herr CAA suspension

The Civil Aviation Authority bas suspended the air travel organizer's licence of Company Leisure Holdings, trading as Si Christopher Tours and Falcon Holidays, at West Drayton, Middlesex. It has also revoked the licence held by United Holidays, trading as Union Travel of Camden Town, north London.

Index-linked pay rise

prospects for the state-owned company look bleak. There bave been reports that A new pay deal with a special Herr Leiding does not see eye to eye with government miniscost of living arrangement basen on the retail prices index was announced yesterday for 50,000 hosiery and knitwear workers mainly employed in England and Wales. Workers ters on the methods to be employed in this rescue oper-Under bis direction VW bas are to get a £2.80 pay increase from January 1 and an increase poured buge sums into launchof 25p for every 1 per cent rise in the retail price index. calculated quarterly.

German trade surplus

West Germany registered another big foreign trade surplus in November, with exports exceeding imports by DM3.220m (about 1655m), the Federal Statistics Office announced vesterday. The surplus in October was DM4,619m.

\$1,000m Tokyo loan Japan has borrowed \$1,000m (about £435m) from oil-producing countries, the financeministry stated in Tokyo. Government sources said the Bank of Tokyo had borrowed \$500m from Saudi Arabia in September and an equal amount in October.

Rolls turbine sales

Orders for 16 gas turbines have been placed by the Royal Netherlands Navy with Roils-Royce (1971). Already Rolls bas on order 24 marine Olympus and marine Tyne engines for the Dutch Navy for the Dutch Navy.

Mr Benn admits overruling his top advisers about £3.9m aid to IPD Wolfsburg, Dec 20.—Herr Rudolf Leiding, 60-year-old chief of Volkswagen, bas offered his resignation on the ground of failing health, the company said today. The VW management board, the total board, and the total boar

In a move without precedent. Mr Anthony Wedgwood Beno yesterday placed before Parliament a document making it clear that his senior industrial advisers are highly critical of his decision to give up to £3.9m aid to the IPD industrial cooperative at Kirkby, Liverpool-the former Fisher-Beodix plant.

The criticism came from the Industrial Development Advisory Board, the group set up to advise the Secretary of State on aid under the Industry Act. Publication of the document late yesterday afternoon drew an anery response from Mr Michael Heseltine, Opposition

spokesmsn on industry. He described publication of the document on the last day before the Christmas recess as "a flagrant abuse of Parliament and a direct insult to the maoagement and trade union rep-resentatives on the Industrial Development Advisory Board, who bave asked that their hos-

up during

Central Statistical Office

top of the boom.

The expenditure and income

based estimates, bowever, suggest a small increase in GDP over the 12 months.

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strictures breaks new parlia Finance.—"Despite the very mentary ground, invoking high initial cost in relation to Section 9(4) of the Industry jobs, particularly if account was Act 1972.

State exercises bis functions under Sections 7 and 8 of this Act contrary to their recom-meodation he sball, if the Parliameot."

Sbort of members' resignations a Section 9 statement is the strongest saoction the board can bring to bear on the and that the proposals lacked a

Explaining their reasons for advising against the grant, the board says it appears regrettable that such a large sum of the taxpayers', money as £3.9m should be advanced on a project which bolds out little prospect of yielding long-term employment."

In recommending against

This states: "If the board make a recommendation with respect to any matter at the request of the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of State exercises his functions and secretary of state exercises his functions."

Management.—There was need for extremely tight management" in a field where survival was dependent oo the board so request, lay a state-ment as to the matter before lines and quality control" Overmanning and overcapacity. -The board thought there would be overmanning to a

major degree and overcapacity stable product base with a ready market Confronted with obstacles

of this magnitude no concern, nowever well intentioned, could expect to be viable on the basis of the proposals advanced." In a government response published with the IDAB's criticisms, Mr Benn said that in

reaching its decision the Governrility be made known... selective financial assistance, it ment had taken full account of Publication of the Industrial Development Advisory Board's shortcomings. These included: the board.

which it considers will remain buoyant next year. The process

plant industry, for exemple, will have to pay between 25 and

30 per cent more for some

Commander John Hamer, director of the Process Plant Association, said: "As far as

we are concerned this is a toler-

able level. We believe that the BSC have just about hit the level right.

In timplate the increases ranga

from between 5 and 25 per cent according to grade and specifi-cation, while lower increases,

compared with the heavier end, are being implemented on strip

mill products.

heavier gauges of steel plate.

Output 1.1pc Consumers relieved at scale of BSC rises

cent between the second and third quarters of the year, according to the revised and fuller figures published by the Main consuming industries

This compares with the first provisional estimate published on November 14 of a 1.0 per The figures are based on the output measure of gross domestic product, seasonally adjusted and at constant 1972 prices. On this basis there has been a slight fall in output since the third quarter of 1973, which was the

sumers Council, the todependent watchdog body said: "We are relieved. We thought that the increases could have been quite a bit higher."

were yesterday studying the revised price schedules seot out by the BSC. They incorporate some wide variations according to specification. Members of the British Independent Steel Producers Association met in Coventry to decide their oext

agreement two years ago. Telefusion to end France backs manufacturing

Telefusion is planning to bow out of the depressed television set maoufacturing field and concentrate on television rental and discount retailing.

Lancasbire.

building and plant, excluding stock, will be handed over for about £1m.

There was also relief for Britain's scrap industry with the announcement from the Department of Industry that restrictions on the export of scrap from the United Kiogdom to EEC countries would be lifted from January 1. This meets the original deadlines set for the termination of the transitional

4-engine airbus By Arthur Reed

Proposals by the major French aircraft group Aerospanale to build a four-engine version of the European airbus bas been backed by the French Government, according to a report from Paris.

It would be powered by simi-lar engines to those which power the A300 airbus.

Hawker Siddeley which make
the wiogs for the A300 could expect to pick up further con-tracts.

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Rises 4p to 125p 3p to 99p 10p to 110p Barclays Bk

Company Meeting Reports:

£46m EIB loans granted to Italy

ment Bank said yesterday it had granted eight loans totalling 71,300m lire (over £46m) to belp finance industrial Gold rose by \$1.75 an ounce yester-day to \$186.00.

How the markets moved

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Lp to 72p Adda Int Duncan, W. First Nat Fin Hollas Grp Incheape Imp Chem Ind Johnson Matt Equities were featured by active trade in property shares. Gilt-edged securities were quiet. Sterling fell by 50 points yesterday to \$2.3255. The "effective devaluation" rate was 21.6 per cent.

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Raies for bank noise only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Lid militermy raics apply to the foreign

ing an extensive new range of models to fill the vacuum left by falling sales of the Beetle. This has left VW overstretched and vulnerable in the car sales Now Vauxhall

prices by 8.8 pc By Edward Townsend
Vauxball yesterday announced
price increases averaging 8.85
per cent from midnight next

increases

continued escalation of material and labour costs", will add f113 to a two-door Viva bringing the price to £1,353. A VX 4/90 goes up £179 to £2,294.
Britisb Leyland and Ford
announced similar increases
earlier this month. Cbrysler is

expected to follow suit early in the new year.
Reliant said yesterday it had applied to the Price Commission to raise prices of the Scimitar GTE and the Robin saloon.

J. Brockhouse & Co. Ltd.

Sales up 29% —Pre-tax Profits up 74%

The following are extracts from the circulated statement of the Chairman, Mr. Arthur Chamberlain. M.C., T.D., in respect of the year ended 30th September, 1974.

Trading results show sales of £48.1 million. up 29% on the previous year's total of £37.2 million. Profits before tax were £3.02 million. up 74% on last year. Profits after tax of £1.24 million are 33% up on 1973. This is a record profit for the

this with satisfaction that your directors recom-mend a final dividend of 6.545 peace per abarc. making 11.055 peace for the year. This is an increase of 10 per cent on last year.

It is not my purpose to be unduly pessimistic. We still bave a strong demand for most of our products with an order book to carry us through the winter and in some cases well beyond. We have a staff and workforce well able to maintain our reputation. Certain raw materials are scarce, this could mean short working; skilled mee are virtually unobtainable, this harms productivity. More cheerfully, the results of the reorganisation within the Group



are now clear to see: we are better able to give a good account of ourselves. Doubiful activities have been cut out, development bas gone where our skills are evident. If there is no appreciable oownturn in the economy. I look forward to an improved result for the year ending September, 1975.

INTERFICO

Interfico announce that they have withdrawn from the merger arrangements with Frontier Brokers Limited Interfico will continue to trade in their own name from Amsterdam.

American real wages in year's biggest fall

Economics Correspondent Washington, Dec 20 American consumer prices in American consumer prices in November rose by a seasonally adjusted 0.9 per cent, while real spendable average earn-ings fell by 1.7 per cent. The fall in earnings was the largest monthly drop this year, and followed a decline of 0.7 per

cent in October. Data released by the Department of Labour showed that the consumer price index had risen 12.1 per cent in the last and real spendable earnings risen 12.1 per cent in the last year to 154.3 (1967=100). The compound annual seasonably adjusted rate of increase from three months ago slowed in November to 13 per cent from Tha Administration had 15 per cent at the end of hoped that the November data

The November rise in consumer prices was attributed to increases in a wide variety of goods and services. Food prices rose by an adjusted L4 wholesale price independent of the pace of inflation.

Property shares fail to hold gains investigations

Mr Crosland's decision to lift cootrols oo commercial rents brought hectic tradiog in bank and property shares when the London stock market opened for business vesterday. Early gains were out held, however, and by the close of business many leading property shares were below

their overnight levels. Industrials 100 proved unable to sustain an early upturn. The FT index, which touched 164.8 at mid morning closed at 163.5, a net 0.2 higher. The Times index closed 0.03 up at 65.66. Investor's Week, page 17

Fair Trading

per cent after fortessing by LS
per cent in October.
Real gross weekly earnings
fell by 1.8 per cent from
October to November to the
lowest level since 1967. The
decline resulted from a 1.1 per

cent decrease in a regarder cent decrease in average weekly bours and the 0.9 per cent rise in consumer prices, which more than offset a 0.2 per cent rise in earnings.

(pay after tax and social secur-

ity deductions) have fallen by

would show some easing in the

rate of price increases. Recent

wholesale price index figures

reflected a marginal decline in

6.2 per cent.

Investigation by the Department of Fair Trading into the \$5.4m cash bid by Tube Investments for Midland Aluminium is expected to take about three weeks. Its decision on Tenneco's conversion of loan stock into Albright & Wilson equity mey take the department a month, if was learnt vesterday.
The Tubes-Midland scrutiny

is straightforward, but the Ten-oeco move to take nearly 50 per ceot of Albright will probably need the cooperation of the Department of Trade in view of the international aspects.

The EEC European Invest-

and energy projects in Italy. Seven are of direct interest to the Mezzogiorno region of southern Italy. The loans are at 10.5 per cent interest and vary from nine to 15 years. The largest loan of 22,850m line was granted to Instituto Mobiliere Italiano.—Renter.

third quarter By Peter Hill The state steel undertaking car producer is in the depth as weighted the beavier in creases on those industries

Briush steel industry prices should continue to be reasonably competitive with European levels, despite the increases by the British Steel Corporation from January 2.

yesterday expressed relief that the BSC bad considered market conditions—where prices else-where are teoding to full back owing to softening demand—in the scale of increases which will increase the BSC's revenue by about £300m ln a full year. Mr Jack Frye, chairman of the British Iron and Steel Coo-

Big companies and industries

It is negotiating with American International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation for the sale of its Telpro colour television manufacturing factory, opened a year ago at Kearsley,

It is expected that the factory

Income data defialed by the price index implied by estimales based on expenditure data.

SDR—S was 1.215040 while SDR—E was 0.521969.
Commodities: Sugar futures gained between £13 and £18 while cocos was £7.50 up to £7.50 down. Copper fell £4 but tin rose £16.50. LME silver was 5p 10 5.1p down. Reuters index was 4.7 lower at 1.176.4.
Reports, pages 17 and 18

Letraset International

Apple a day keeps the gloom at bay

Here comes Christmas round devices things automatically get again, and with it the necessity weevilly in due time. again, and with it the necessity of admitting the ghastly truth tions I gave yoo this time last year. Old haods will recall that lest you end up with tinned for a seasonal twist I con-structed a portfolio of 12 shares, based on the 12 items enumerated in the song "Green Grow the Rushes O", following the tradition first set in Decemher, 1972, with my spirited in-vestment analysis of the shopping list from "The Twelve Days of Christmas".

These exercises doubtless held some charm for the cryptologisis among you, hui I regret to say that from a performance point of view they have heen disastrous.

It is only a game and all that, but the failure still rankles and I am sufficiently disenchanted not to repeat the experiment this year. Instead, it is my plan to look at some of the more exotic investments that are now in vogue, and see if I can pick out any seasonal winners.

Mr Jim Slater has declared that the ideal 1975 portfolio ought to be split as to 25 per cent in hully heef, 25 per cent kruggerands, 25 per cent cash and 25 per cent machine guns. You may think this is very trendy and up to date, but there is nothing new under the sun and the whole thing was clearly foreshadowed by the Owl and the Pussy-cat, who on Their epic voyage "took some honey end plenty of money wrapped up in a five pound note"; groceries, Kruggerands and cash—like the man said.

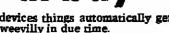
No machine-guns are mentioned as such, of course, but some textual critics point to the hidden allegory of the amall guitar", since the Mafia after all used 10 hide their machine-guns in violin cases.

But it may be considered that the average portfolio is now more closely paralleled by the Jumblies' sieve than any heautiful hoat, pea-green or otherwise. Nevertheless, even though everyhody said the Jumhlies would be drowned, by a com-hinanon of good luck, opnimism and, most important of all, expert provisioning, they fin-ally msde it and when they came hack again everyhody was madly jealous and wished they

had heen on the trip as well. It all hoils down to a grocery portfolio, then, and naturally every fioancial journalist worth his salt is leaping on to the handwagoo at the moment.

However, it isn't quite as easy as that. I mean, here they are, these chaps having lived their lives analysing p/e ratios and the like, and suddenly p/e ratios don't matter any more and what is important is shelf life. You may well recommend Blotto's self-raising boot polish as an inflation hedge, but the problem with such ao iovestment is what marine insurers call inherent

This is nothing to do with the Festival of Light, merely the concept that if left to their own



So, remember, if you happen about the share recommenda- to have invested your entire savings io tioned salmon beware Actually, I rather look for-

ward to some of those pseudoscientific investment analysts trotting out variations of their usual owlish remarks as applied to the grocery sector: like "Rump steak has shown a pronounced double hottom in this week's trading", "Vermicelli encountered thin nervous con-ditions and turned narrowly irregular", or "Garlic sausage provided a strong undertone today, hitting new highs with sellers keeping their distance".

If we really are in for another If we really are in for another 1929 I would say that apples were a good bet, hecause historically it was then fashionable for unemployed financial experts to sell apples up and down Wall Street, those who were still working heing morally obliged to buy them from their ex-colleagues. This led to a nice story about the New York advertising man Leo Burnett, who started his agency during the gloomiest days of the depression and was lold by worried friends that he would undoubtedly end up sell-

ing apples with the others.
"I'll never sell them", he answered, "hut I'll give them away", and so he did. Even to this day every office of the agency has a great dish of a gr apples in the reception area which anybody strolling in and out can sample from. Presumahly, however, they are the people who will effectively have cornered the apple market by now so there's no room left for us in that sector.

Another, though related, hlind alley : it seems that the real smartipants who got out of property in time have now got their hooks into the hest investment of all for this day and age -concessions on the pitches for match sellers, hawkers, huskers and the like in all the suhways of the London Underground. These they plan to hire at inflated rates to the hammered brokers, redundant financial directors and superfluous assistant personal assistants who will shortly he seen tearing paper into exotic shapes, playing their one-man hands and doubtless also selling apples at every vantage point the Tuhe can offer. So what's it to he, my tip for

So what's it to he, my tip for 1975? Well, here you are then. If I were you, I'd go out on January 1 and huy all the turkeys, geese, Christmas puddings, mince pies and crystallized fruit you can lay your hands on. Then freeze or store them for a year and cash in the lot in 11 months' time.

Actually, if you're really interested, I can let you have

some 1973 stuff cheap. Strictly just for huying and selling,

Francis Kinsman



"... the best investment of all for this day and age ..."

Insurance

When a very important person is expected

Most families have plans laid for the next two weeks or so which might well go awry if somebody gets 'flu at the wrong moment.

Sometimes, it is worth having insurance + +, for instance, you are planning to have a skiing holiday, and the illness of one member of the family could result in the whole holiday heing called off, with a large amount still 10 he paid to the tour operator.

" non-appear-Sometimes ance" insurance can help. Fortunately, concerned as children may he at this stage, they do not have to worry about insuring against the non-appearance of Santa Claus. But not everyhody can he relied upon in the same way.

For instance, what happens if

one of the principals of an amateur stage production should fall ill, or have an accident? For some amateur operatic and dramatic societies, it is hard enough to muster a complete cast, let along to run to the luxury of having under-

A few weeks ago The Norfolk Opera Players got round this for a production of Faust. They spent £12 on non-appearance insurance to pay for the cost of calling in a professional if one of the four principals bad

Pensions

heen unable to appear.

Up to £200 could be claimed to "replace" each of the four of replace each of the four principals to cover fees, cost of accommodation and so on, if others who employ top enter-

An increasing number of occu-

vide pensions for widows or other dependants on the death

of a memher of the scheme.

Quite apart from this trend, occupational achemes normally

provide a lump aum on death

The basic difference in approach from that adopted by the state lies in the scope of

the henefit. Whereas the state

benefit is payable only to a widow, and then only in speci-

fied circumstances, occupational

schemes normally seek to pro-vide protection for all widows

and in many cases cater for the

possibility of other dependants,

As far as the Inland Reveoue

is coocerned, an approved pen-

sion acheme may provide, on the death of a member in aervice, a widow's or widower's pension of four ninths of the member's

salary in normal circumstances;

a further pension may he pro-vided to anyone else who was sctually dependent on the mem-

ber, as long as the total of the widow's or widower's pension,

if there is one, and all the de-

pendant's pensions do not come

to more than (normally) two

practice, there are very

thirds of the member's salary.

few schemes indeed which pro-

vide pensions for the widower of a woman member: the In-

land Revenue changed its rules

to allow this (unless the hus-band had heen dependent on

his wife) only ahout two years

There are also not a large

number of schemes which pro-

vide a four ninths widow's pen-

sion: the more usual level in the hetter achemes is one third,

which was the maximum the Inland Revenue would allow

Very few schemes follow the pattern proposed by Mrs Castle

for the new atate scheme, that

is to relate the widow's penson either to the salary at the date

of death, or to the pension the

hefore 1970.

while in service.



But not everybody can be relied on in the same way."

it should he necessary to call on a professional. Sometimes luck can against charitable events. particular persoo is unable to attend through illness or per-haps hecause he or she has heen beld up by a train or airline atrike. Insurance can he arranged to cover the expected

Benefits for all dependents

mained unchanged.

Castle's scheme.

expected to draw at his normal

retirement date if he had sur-

vived and his salary had re-

tainers often need the same a result, underwriters specializ iog in this form of insurance often have a large store of information about the individual health features and characteristics of those in the entertainment industry and others who are most likely to be covered by this form of insurance. surance.
It is fur this reason that

premium rates can vary according to the individual.
Last year, in view of the fuel crisis, plenty of functions of one kind or another were cancelled. It is possible to insure egainst cancellation of an event from almost any cause, et-though, unfortunately, "lack of support" is virtually a stan-

dard exclusion from any policy of this type.
On the other hand, insurance

can be taken out against certain specific forms of cancellation or abandonment, for instance because of the weather. In the winter, fog ot frost are most likely to upset plaus. Io the summer it is

Before the last Wimbledon fortnight, the Eagle Star did quite a hrisk trade in insuring the costs and expenses of those with tickets. The insurance covered all expenses tickets, travel, overnight accommodetion and so on.

The company was charging about 121 per cent of the amount insured as premium for a policy to pay out if there was no play at all. Normally, the rate was rather higher for insurance which would pay a claim if there abould be less than, say, two hours of play.

In the next few weeks, plenty of plans for the summer will he laid. If it really would be serious for an event to be washed out by rain, it is likely that insurance could be arranged.

Usually, however, the chief drawback is the expense. Be-cause our weather is so uncertain, premiums have to be quite

high. But, at least our weather tends to be consistent over a 35-year weather cycle. Taken over that span, overall, one 35-year period is much the same as another!

John Drummond

The delicate art of getting something for nothing

Since the dawn of time, human ingenuity has focused upon the delicare art of getting some-thing for nothing. Even today some people appear to devote themselves to little else and invariably their endeavours seem to be crowned by success.

One of the most promising fields for the "something for nothing" devotee is the general availability of free advice. Finance bouses, stockbrokers and insurance brokers are often willing to give helpful advice and recommendations in expectanion of earning either a commission or alternatively a fee from the client at some stage.

Admittedly they may with-hold the names of the com-panies who could implement their scheme, or keep back im-portant details, but a diligent client should be able to fill in the gaps himself. If he can bypass his advisers and out their scheme into operation, without them, he may, where relevant, make a large condition. sorts of children's benefit to be pass his advisers and put their make a large saving in fees.

The extraordinary thing that in law, hanks, insurance companies and professional people who chose to give gratuitous advice could be sued by the recipient, if it turns out wrong. So by all means button-hole all the solicitors and professional advisers you meet on the train to get all the free advice you can.

Often statute law is ex-tremely generous to the consumer as a means of discouraging undesirable commercial practices. For example, certain breaches of hire purchase or money lending regulations will mean that the consumer gets the goods or the loan absolutely free, and the finance house is deprived of any right of action to recover it.

One of the most generous pieces of legislation is the Un-solicited Goods and Services Act, passed in 1971. In defiance of the Act one mail order firm sent a young engineer a pocket electronic calculator which he had not ordered. He wrote tell-ing them to come and collect it within 30 days. . .

When they failed to do so it became his property and under the Act they were debarred from suing for the price. Undeterred they sent him another. This time he did nothing, hut simply watted. At the end of aix months the second calculator elso became his property without payment. .

In a depressed commercial society, the scope for a real devotee of this cult increases. The motor car enthusiast can spend his free afternoons on trial drives in expensive motor cars. Those who like to see how other people live will find no shortage of eager estate agents willing to take them miles to view, often to he entertained with tea or sherry at luxury country seats by hopeful sellers.

Many a woman must have taken a fur coat on approval, flaunted it for one glitteriog evening et the Dorchester and sent it back to her store the following day. Provided she has given it a good airing and got rid of the reek of cigarette smoke, alcohol and perfume, no well-hred store assistant could possibly raise an eyehrow.

The more ambitious could take suites of furniture and two or three colour television sets, not to mennon original paint ings, to adorn his empty flat for an annual party. Moreover, he does not even have to bother about insurance, because whers goods are delivered on approval the seller, so long as any loss or damage which occurs is not due to the fault of the persoo taking them on approval.

This is so until ownership has passed to him, that is, he has decided to huy. The pitfall is that he is deemed to be the owner once he does anything which may he construed as

adopting the transaction, such

as using the item.

Certainly the lady who goes out wearing a fur coat taken on approval would be deemed to have bought it. She might have the bad luck to meet one of the directors of the store that very evening.

The second snag when taking something on approval is that after a reasonable time has elapsed (if no time limit has heen fixed in advance) the store will be eotitled to assume that one inteods to hay it. So the "borrower" would have to notify the store fairly promptly to avoid being saddled with the

Depending on the circumstances, a judge might think that two or three days is sufficient for the huyer to have made up his mind.

The important thing for any suspicion of his having used

Take the case of the man who wants to huild a hi-fi unit with particular features to suit his home. Off he trots to the most reputable experts in the audio-electronic field. With great reputante experts in the audioelectronic field. With 'great
pains they prepare for him a detailed invoice listing all the
pieces of equipment he will asset which is heing need to meet his particular requirements.

Assuring them that he will place a firm order once his wife approves, he goes to the nearest discount bouse and huys all the components listed, takes them home and assembles them according to the plan the experts have sketched out for him.

Well, that is e pretty good money saver, but there are pos-sible snags. In the first place it is a common complaint that dis-count houses fail to give satisfactory after sales service and those dealers with the expertisa to do so restrict themselves to goods they have supplied. He would have a claim in lew

against the discount house only if there was something seriously wrong with the equipment, for example, if in law it is not of

merchantable quality.

Going back to his original advisors and complaining their their specifications did not give the result thay promised would not be a wise move, to say the least. Strictly they are entitled to send in a bill for the time they have spent advising and preparing their specification technically, on the hasis of quantum meruit.

The case of Mr Davis some years ago illustrates one drawback for people who put firms to a lot of trouble and then let them down. There is oo doubt that Mr Davis was a gamesman of considerable resourcefulness.

He got three building contractors to give him detailed esti-mates for rehuilding a war-damaged property, and then selected the one who had given the lowest estimate.

As he led them to helieve that they would evectually get the contract they were only too willing to make detailed calculations of timber and steel needed and also assessed the cost of a notional reconstruc-

tion of the property.
With all this information Mr Davis got a very hig increese in his war damage assessment. He then told the huilders that hs had decided to employ a dif-ferent firm, but in fact he sold the premises.

When the judges heard the full story they had oo hesitation in awarding the huilders pay-ment for the work they had put in, even though contracts were never finalized.

Ironically, Mr Davis's luck held out to the end. The judgment against him was preceded by a summons from the Al-mighty, so that he never dis-covered that luck finally went against him.

Ronald Irving

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laxation

In the Spirit

This is the peak time of year to enjoy giving and recing and far be it from me apoil the fun. But the tax r might get you if you doo't wa

Take the employee who looking forward to some to of appreciation from the t The truth is that there is l that the employer can give vout his staff being taxed oo present as income.

The employer has no prob because the cost of the gif regarded as a reward for vices past, present or hopef to come. So the employer deduct it for tax purposes husiness expense. The employes on the o

hand is taxable on "all sala fees, wages, perquisites profit whatsoever", so, part of the Christmas cash b goes into the Exchequer's fers. But it is not just boo that suffer, because the co have interpreted "profits perquisites whatsoever" as cluding gifts which are cap of heing turned into moos As food, drink and toh

can all be converted into me it means that the hamper, crate of whisky and the ca of cigarettes are all caugh the tax net.
Gift vouchers were the

ject of a court casa backet 1965. An employer gave t to his staff, and although could be used only in one s fied shop they were nona less held 10 be taxable on 1 face value. There is much variety in types of gif1 in kind which

courts regard as being con ihle into money. Some years a company offered to its em

a company offered to its emperes a suit, overcoat or raine as a Christmas present and company paid the tailor difference of the gift was held to it perquisite or profit offeremployment and the empiwas taxed oo the secondal value. There certainly was stax saving here for the ployee, as the difference between the cost and second-hand value was 510 this was some 15 years as One can be lucky and first One can be lucky and fir

tax inspector so replete seasonal good will that here regard s modest gift, such a box of chocolates or a bott. gin, as a persooal gestur appreciation rather than reward for services, leaving gift unencumbered by a may Of course, if the employe paid for the gift out of his persocal pocket, rather tha

of the husiness, this become private matter. The emplets no tax relief suit employee no tax bill. The gifts we make to friends and relatives wil

normally attract any tax lem. But for a minority is always capi the new capital transfer (the one which replaces duty) lurking around the oer, waiting to pounce o unwary donor.

Capital gains tax does apply to gifts of cash and

away.

If e rich aunr gives favourite nephew 500 sha. Christmas, worth at that £2 each, and they cost h eech, the aunt will have 1 tax on the gain of £500. The capital transfer 1: the other hand is levied o full market value of the whether in cash or kind.

there are a number of e ... nons, but the only one runs parallel to capital ... nax is that gifts hetweer hand and wife are ignorhand and wife are ignoral to can happen that a liable to capital gains la not to capital transfer to vice versa, with the third hility of heing liable to have tooking on the heppies of tax relief, where a regularly donates cash favourite charity at Chritime—or indeed any other

time or indeed any othe -there is an easy way of g a tax beoefil provided the is prepared to commit h for several years. The ; made under e deed of cov which is a simple form pared by the charity acc requiring the donor's sign To be effective for ta:

poses the covenant has egally hinding on the tay for seven years or unt earlier death. He cao maintain his donerioo r previous level, in which ca charity will obtain the lax fit or he can reduce it t basic rete of tax, and obta henefit himself.

Suppose, for example, person has been donatin' a year and wishes to corn a year and wishes to corn doing so under a deed o enant. The snnual commi hecomes gross £14.92 wh £10 grossed up at the hasi

However, the rax reliables him to continue to p and the charity is able claim the tax of £4.92. end result of paying un

deed of covenant is the charity henefits by £4.92. Oo the other haod, donor is unable to maint: annual donation of £10 he

covenant to make his gros mitment £10 for the year deduct tax at 33 per (£3.30), leaving a net a to he paid to the char £6.70. The charity reclair tax of £3.30 purting its the same position as it for was, but the dooor henel £3.30. Those who prefer to

nothing away will not sarily find salvation in In 1976 the wealth tax w you if you don't watch or

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| Provision against stocks and forward | | 671 | 1,148 | | 1,971 | | 3,119 |
| purchase contracts | | 390 | 831 | | | _ | 831 |
| Profit before taxation: U.K. Companies Less: Loss incurred by overseas | 391 | 431 114 | • | 2,009 | 2 | ,440 | |
| sobsidiary | | 281 — | 317 | | 1,971 | 152 | 2,288 |
| *Less : Deferred Corporation Tax at 52% on U.K. profits | _ : | 203 | | | 1,004 | | 1,359 |
| Less : Preference dividend | | 78 2 | | | 967 2 | | 929 4 |
| Earnings applicable to ordinary shares | | 76 | | | 965 | | 925 |
| Earnings per ordinary share | 2. | .65p onths) | | (6 | 33.7p months) | | 2.3p conths) |
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• The Group will benefil from the proposals for tax relief on increased stocks as set out in the December, 1974, Finance 2iii. It is not expected that there will be any cash liability for Corporation Tax arising on the due dates in respect of the profits for the year ended 31st March.

During the six mooths to the 30th September, 1974, Irading cooditions proved increasingly difficult resulting in an exceptionally high level of stocks being liounced. It has been thought prudent to increase the provision for losses against stocks and forward purchase contracts by £390,000 to £1,221,000. Forward purchase contracts are currently at a purchase contracts are currently at a low level and stocks are reducing to



the extent that they should be at a satisfactory level before the main 1975 importing season commences. An interim ordinary dividend of 1.5p per ordinary share of 25p has today been declared in respect of the year ending 31st March, 1975, payable on the 7th February, 1975, to shareholders on the Register at the close of business on the 10th Janoary, 1975.

1974, and the six months to the 30th September, 1974; as the Government's ultimate intentions in this respect have out yet been stated, sums equivalent to the normal liabilities have been set aside out of profits to the Deferred Tax

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with a man as his wife; such a provision is geoerally thought to be unenforceable for an occupational scheme.) Many schemes take the view that, in these circumstances, it is socially and morally wrong to dis-continue payments to a widow On the other hand, other schemes consider that the responsibility for looking after a widow who remarries passes to her second hushand, and that it is an unnecessary henefit to continue the widow's pension. In view of the trivial saving in cost achieved by ceasing the widow's pension on remarriage, I find it difficult to understand why the moral argument does not always take precedence over the financial one.

Payment of a widow's pension as of right in all circumstances is a recognition that, in respect of this henefit, as of others under the pension scheme, it is, a definition of the amount of widow's pension by reference to the length of service completed by the member up to his death. The general practice wided by the latter out of compassion in cases of need. Here,

this principle that some occupe-tional schemes provide for de-pendants, other than widows or children. On the other hand, if Either of these provides full benefits for the widow of a man who dies after only a short married men are provided with period of service, and this avoids the serious defect in Mrs benefits for their normal dependants, other members may reasonably ask why they, too, should not be given benefits of equal value if they have similar Widow's pensions are normally paid to widowa irrespective of their age or the existence of dependent children. There responsibilities. Because of the difficulties of is, however, a provision in many schemes for the amount defining the circumstances in which benefits ought to be paid, of the widow's pension to he reduced if the wife had heen much younger than her husband, perhaps five or 10 years. schemes extending coverage in this way usually do so on an individual basis at the discretion of the trustees. The onus lies The practice varies rather with a member to show that he more when it comes to the has a dependant who ought to more when it comes to the cessarion of the widow's pension on remarriage. (I have never come across a scheme which suspended the pension on the widow's cohabitation with a more this affect such a

and private scheme benefits.

It is, in a sense, contrary to

covered and the trustees will decide in each case whether to accept the case or not. Dependants' benefits on these lines are by no means un-common, but they are far from heing as widespread as the more clear-cut widows' pensions. The one case of dependency

which is widely recognized is orphan children. There are two found in occupational schemes: some provide for additional pensions, on top of the widow's pension, as long as there are dependent children; others provide for the widow's pension to continue in the event of her death (or for a pension to be

payable if the mother prede-ceases the member, or is killed at the same time) as long as there are dependent children. The latter henefit costs very little, although it fills an obvious and serious need. It is per-haps aurprising that it is not a universal feature of widows'

pensions schemes.

Few schemes in fact add e benefit for children to the widow's pension. Those which do so normally express the benefit as a proportion of the widow's pension—commonly a third or a quarter—for each child up to e maximum of three or four.

Eric Brunet

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| | Talisman | -43.2 | -53.9 | Secs of America | -27.0 | -3 |
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| | Key Capital_ | -45.8 | -57.2 | Henderson Inter | -29.8 | -2 |
| | Bishopsgate Prog F | -45.8 | -51.0 | Nathifs | -30.2 | -37 |
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| | Hambro Small Co's | -49.2 | -54.2 | Drayton Fits | -31.2 | -43 |
| | Tyndall Nat Cap M | -49.6 | -62.3 | London Wall Int | -31.2 | -4 |
| | S & P Ebor Sel Gr F | -49.7 | _ | S & PSA US Gr | -31.3 | -4 |
| | Abbey Capital | -49.8 | _ | Allied Hambro Int | -31.6 | |
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| _ | P & M Growth | -51.3 | -61.2 | National Universal | -32.7 | -41 |
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| ł | Jascot Compound | -53.3 | -54.5 | Heoderson Nat Res | -33.4 | -2 |
| ı | Jascot Compound Trident Peri | -55.0 | -55.0 | Schroder Europe | -34.2 | -18 |
| ı | Portfolio Capital | -62.2 | -70.9 | Grantchester | -34.5 | - 10 |
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| l | Slater Walker Fin | -7.2 | 9.0 | Charterhouse Inter | -35.9 | -57 |
| ı | Nat Natural Res | -7.6 | -3.4 | Crescent Inter | -35.9 | -39 |
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M: Trust valued monthly.
F: Trust valued every two weeks.

Phoenix is

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casualty

timber trade

£281,000, dragged down in addi-

nearly 16 per cent.

M Hall look

to matching

£2m pre-tax

The board of Matthew Hall,

the London-based industrial engineering group, is forecast-ing that profits this year will stay at about £2m pre-tax. A

year ago the group had been looking to higher profits, but

subsequeot eveots, notably rail, power and fuel disruptions, meant a modification of this

target to a matching figure,

which is now confirmed. The sbares were left unchanged at

Christmas rally •

er in the month is was starting to look as it a thoroughly year would go out without even the traditional premas rally. Not so. There may have been no fireworks week but at least share prices rose for five days in ssion and the FT index ended last night at 163.5-9.3 up on the previous Friday's close.

be modest recovery in sterliog, following soothing words the Middle East oil producers, was probably the main in laying the foundation for the rally, but the Governments moves to help the property sector—or at least expectation m—obviously helped too.

rty shares responded y this week to the nment's decision to bring eeze on business rents to ly end. It remains to be however, if the initial iasm will be followed by mined rise throughout the

the developers need is the decopers investment in which they can sell f their existing portfolio wroble prices, in order to be their liquidity immeditable. They also need o market ch they can sell, on com-developments which not show an income surutil the first rent review

Government's move laws d foundation. It will now sible to value reversion-

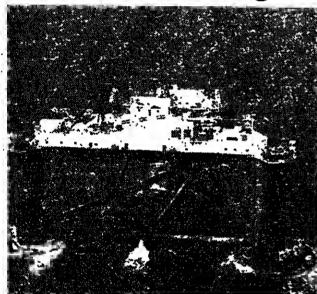
their investment income.
That does not necessarily
mean that the insurance companies and pension funds will plunge into the market with both feet. By notice they are cautious and some will wait to see how rent levels, which have become artificially high in many cases because of the freeze, will move

They will also bear in mind the possibility of a rise in yields if there is a rush of property on to the market

Institutional takeover bids for property groups may now be on the increase again. And there could be a case for buying some of the more speculative shares where a high quality portfolio of completed property stands behind a risky develop-

operties ngain and the I would single out Regional ions can be sure that in Properties as one of the more nt term at least rent re-attroctive speculative situations and reversions will swell in this category.

Taylor opts for tional Carbonising



e in North Sea oil adds to National Carbenising's

ges create opportuni-Taylor mused as he was car up mid-week f the latest round of rice increases. But he uncomfortable feeling oil companies had too oblems ahead of them e to be much joy in re prices over the com-

I would bave to look e to take a turn oo the n eoergy abundance to

m was one alternative, would really be think-couple of Canadian d about three in Aushile in 5outh Africa s no meaniogful invest could make in uranium

at about coal? Well, Bill had to scratch his think of any good way n, where it was clear resources would outoil wells under the a by several centuries. s simply no way to investment in extrac-

dy way in, in fact, was the processors or the urers of mining mach-d bere Bill fancied the particularly National ing, with its special ve attractions.

ver, one cloud that bad been overhanging NC leared to have been least temporarily, by ay's decision of the Union of Mineworkers until early January fur-scussion (with the Coal Board) on their

plication of that would be that there was now chance that serious might be avoided

then, is that NC ipe, then, is that the very. In the two years, 1974, the group bad d losses of £2.5m, and

passed the dividend on both occasions. But on the basis of the interim figures to September, when NC turned in a pre-tax profit of £545,000 (after allowing for oil exploration ex-penditure of £210,000), the evidence now points to brighter days ahead.

e running is being made largely by the Rexco smokeless fuel and hard coke activities, which are showing a volume increase of about 70 per cent, iodicating total production of 1.2 million tons for the year. Despite rising costs, margins are being maintained thanks to strong export performance.
National Carbonising's other

activities are also bnovant, with engineering well in the black and transport and vehicle distribution maintaining firm pro-gress. Bill considers that pretax profits for the full year could well amount to £13m Not that the full year profits and any dividend will in themselves necessarily put a light under the sbare price, but at

least they should put a firm base under it. After that two things will count. First will be the scope for further profit recovery and improvement in market status. Second will be developments over NC's interest in the North 5ea-a 3.75 per cent stake in the Ranger-BP Ninian Field.

me Kanger-Br Niman Field.

Ktowing a little about the
massive figures involved in turning a good geological prospect
into a productive reality—particularly at a time of high in-flation—Bill believes that NC will bave to give very careful thought about bow much money it can afford to commit to Ninian, and, more particularly, whether it might not make more sense to link up with a stronger partner. But, of course, only or

terms that would see its share bolders well done by.
Bill bas decided that he will buy 2,000 NC shares on Monday at around 25p each.

le-mecums for the husiastic amateur

's crop of new books stment and family thin. In view of the stal changes which are about to occur on front, not to mention culation of guaranteed conds in the March his is perbaps as well. of Investment for the edited by Stanley wer Press, £4.50) has in this respect. In its bigh-powered title, in his introduction reassuringly clear that is "meant to belp the ic amateur make the us earnings and capi-

π, as a result of legisinges the book is now adrift in respect of rs on estate duty and the erstwhile more tax uses of life assurance, ok scores best in the on conventional iowbere sufficient deguidance are given illing off the readers' m with too much

highly specialized technical de-Moneywise by Rita Witkin (George Allen & Unwiz, f2.50) is a very different kind of book. An insurance broker, Mrs Witkin bas looked for an assurance column to man of the firm

solution to most of the finan-cial problems, which she deals with and which she presents in the form of case histories. It is an interesting method of presentation but it makes it slightly difficult to grasp the overall use of the various forms of assurance she recommends Readera will also. I suspect bave no doubt as to whether philosopnies bomespun

which pepper the book are to But it is a practical bonk and if your particular problem is there and is easily identifiable in the iodex, it will be helpful. Finally, that old favourite, the Save and Prosper Book of Money, edited by Margaret Allen, bas just heen revised. Published by Collins it now

costs £1.75.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

N'thn Foods in muted rally but hopes of turnround next year

By Our Financial Staff
After a collapse in interim
pre-tax profits from £2.6m to pre-tax profits from £2.6m to £1.5m, Northern Foods managed a slight improvement in the second-half, bringing the pre-tax total for the 12 months to end September to £4.7m, compared with £5.6m.

Mr Nicholas Horsley, chairman, says the group's food and drink activities (comprising the milk, milk products, baking and brewing interests) made a good

brewing interests) made a good orewing interests) made a good recovery following cost cutting and reorganization to compensate for poor margins. Milk sales in fact bettered the national average, as has the brewing side, although food product margins experienced severe pressure from increases in raw materials and commodiin raw materials and commodi-Government price controls.

But the most difficult area was evidently the group's

finance division. British Credit Trust, the bolding company for the bulk of Northern's instalment credit business, showed profits of £171,000 against £1.1m. Interest charges in this division rose from £1.7m to £3.2m, over and above the main group's finance costs. The lower profit figures reflect "prudent provisions" against doubtful accounts.

The group forecasts some recovery in profits here next year, since most of the business written is short-term and new accounts have been adjusted to the current high rates of

Overall, Northern bas good prospects for increasing profitability next year, and, following encouraging current trad-ing performance, the final divi-dend is being raised in accordance with counter-inflationary legislation.

S African deficit trims ERF's interim outcome

Although group sales of ERF (Holdings), the Sandbach-based beavy vehicle manufacturer, expanded by 32 per cent to £10.9m in the 28 weeks to October 12, pre-tax profits fell by 12 per cent to £377,000. The fall is blamed entirely on a deficit in the group's South African company, explains Mr "substantial orders" baye African company, explains Mr E. Foden, chairman, in an interim statement.

The trading profit of the United Kingdom operation was 18.5 per cent higher and export sales, at £1.02m, were more than 95 per cent higher cult year .

action taken in South Africa will prevent a recurrence of the situation, says Mr Foden. Since the end of the half-year, substantial orders been confirmed in South Africa which will ensure full capacity working in the plant there during 1975. However, be tells shareholders, there is no doubt that 1975 will be a difficult year.

Margins bite at Ayana half-time

While it may prove possible to pay a final dividend, the board of Avana Group feels that the present strains on liquidity make an interim payment unjustified (0.12p was paid last year). Taxable profits for the half year to September 27 are down from £62,000 to £25,000 on sales up from £6.02m to £6.85m.

The board comments that margins were under severe throughout pressure period, but the volume of trade in all sections is currently improving, the outturn for the full year should be better than the £128,000 brought in last year, unless there is a major disturbance in raw material prices, such as sugar.

LUBOK-ELEVATORS & ENG
Lubok Investments' offer for
1.39m of Elevators & Engineering
ordinary accepted for 88.4 per
cent. Lubok now owns 2.24m
shares (93.3 per cent). Offer now
unconditional and separate cash
offer closed.

JOHN BOOTH AND SONS Turnover for half year, £2.3m (£1.6m). Pre-tax profit, £51,500 (£36,000). Directors bope Company will attain a total profit similar to last year's £102,000.

CAMELLIA-JOREHAUT Boards of Camellia Investments and Jorehant Holdings have agreed terms for merger by scheme of arrangement. Camellia now owns some 72.23 per cent of Jorehant.

GEORGE STURLA & SON

Depreciation stings Assoc Leisure

Mainly because a more conservative depreciation policy has led to a substantially higher charge, profits of Associated Leisure dropped 20 per cent to £1.05m pre-tax over the tell to November 10. The depreciation figure was £1.19m (£942,000) and interest payable £203,000 (£219,000), while investment income brought in £215,000, against £226,000.

Lord Jessel, chairman, does not make a forecast for the full term (which this time is of 44 weeks), but says trading not make a forecast for the full term (which this time is of 44 weeks), but says trading continues at a reasonable level. But the group will benefit from substantial extraordinary items reflecting profits from items reflecting profits from buying in for cancellation, on attractive terms, outstanding loan stock and also sales of nuder-used assets. The dividend is 1.56p (1.5p).

Briefly

Nominee Assurance Holdings iotends to offer 4.5p per share for group. NAH is private investment company in which controlling intrest is held by Arnold Coben and Michael Barnett which is acting for Marionatty Limited. for Marionette Limited.

T. AND A. NAYLOR
Turnover for seven months
£1.5m (£1.7m). Loss, £134,000 (pro£1.572,000). No interim dividend

Turnover so far this year is running at about £50m with the over-seas interest accounting for 72 per ASSOCIATED FOOD-LINNELL Formal documents in connexioo with agreed offer by AFH for Thomas Linnell & Sous has now

More trusts repay foreign loans

been posted.

RACAL ELECTRONICS

Three more investment trusts are making substantial repay-ments of foreign currency loans. City and International Trust is repaying \$500,000 to leave a balance of \$700,000. General Consolidated is repay-ing \$1.05m to leave \$1.75m and Moorgate Investment is repaying \$125,000 leaving \$200,000.

Wall Street

New York, Dec 20.—The New York stock market staggered under the combined weight of fresh in-flation and recession wordes to close lower in moderate trading. The Dow Jones industrial aver-age fell 5.95 points to finish at 598.48. Losers outpaced gainers by about a 5 to 2 margin. Volume totalled 15,840,000 shares compared with 15,900,000 yesterday.

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New York, Bec 20.—Liquidalion and stop loss selling weakened Comer Silver futures in the afternoon and drove prices a few cents away from the lower limit. Late covaring however, rathed values some 4.0 cents from the late and liver. Comercial control of the contro

40 and 50 points down on 475 101.

Occ. 55.40c; Jan. 55.50c; Feb. 64.10c; March. 54.80c; May. 65.00c; July. 57.20c Bept. 58.40c; Inc. 66.20c; Jan. 56.30c.

Sucar. The world spot price increased 1.50 cruits at 42.25 cents lob and stowed bulk. based on 172c bids in anchorage on 18c day. March. 37.60c; March. 37.60c; March. 37.60c; March. 37.60c; March. 37.60c; March. 37.50c; May. 43.25-50c; Oct. 42.50-80c; May. 43.25-50c; Oct. 41.15c; Ince. 11.90-205c; March. 42.50-80c; May. 43.25-50c; Oct. 41.15c; Ince. 11.90-205c; March. 42.60-80c; May. 61.00c; July. 52.65c; Oct. 66.00c; May. 61.00c; July. 52.65c; Oct. 66.00c; May. 61.00c; July. 52.65c; Sept. 66.75 c nominal; marrowly. Fixal prices fluctuating narrowly. Fixal prices fluctuation narrowly. Fixal prices fluctuati

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Stock markets

Active trading in properties

The week ended with a flurry of trading in property and benking shares in response to the Government's relaxation of the squeeze on commercial rents. But shares in the major By Our Financial Staff
Phoenix Timber is the latest timber group to report on the steep costs of carrying wood, and of writing it down, in the half year to September 30. May & Hassell saw its pre-tax profits dive 62 per cent; Montague L. Meyer's profits slid by nearly 50 per cent, and now Phoenix reveal an 86 per cent relapse.
Pre-tax profits of Phoenix dived from £1,971,000 to only £281,000, dragged down in addiproperty groups found it bard to bang on to the gains chalked up in late deals on Thursdey, when the market first beard the news. By yesterday's close, many property shares were showing small losses on the day. showing small losses on the day. Industrial sbares, too, made a brave start, but soon abandoned their gains. By the close of the session, the FT index was only 0.2 np at 163.5, after touching 164.8 initially. Turnover was moderate, with property and banking issues dominating the game. Recorded bargains

uon by a £110,000 loss from an overseas offshoot. By contrast, sales rose from £14.86m m £16.32m, but financial charges swelled from £205,000 to £662,000; and in the latest six months the group provided £390,000 against stocks and forward-purchase cootracts. In the game. Recorded totalled only 5,274. The first bour of trading on the property pitches was bectic, and inspired some nostalgic memories of the "Great Bull Market " days. But even the best prices recorded were no more than a shade above those marked late oo Thursday. Once the profit-takers set to work, same months the year before there was, of course, no such Earnings a share caved in from 33.7p to 2.65p, but the the picture turned dull. Great Portland Estates—overlooked on directors are paying a grass 2.24p, against 2.14p. They report that business is getting no better; but stocks are falling, and Thursday evening—sained 5p to 125p yesterday. But British Land (113p). Land Securities (96p). Metropolitan Estates and it is unlikely that there will be any cash liability for Corporation tax for the year to March, 1974, or for the latest balf year.

The shares shed 4p to 30p, a new 1973-74 low. The yield is

Property Corporation (87p) and Capital & Counties (164p) all gave up a few pence. With banking funds beavily involved in the property indus-try, the freeing of rents was good news for both the major lending banks and the secon-

dary issues. National Westminster Bank,

which is committed to the prop-

erty world, touched 106p at first, only m fall back to 102p, a net 2p higher. Barclays Bank ended 4p up at 126p, after 128p. Mercbant bank Hambros put on 8p to 73p, and other financial issues to move forward included Slater Walker Securities (37p) and Keyser Ullmann (40p). But a dull spot at the close was First National Finance, ip down et 4p after news that a director

was leaving the group.

The early gains among industrial shares were eroded by lunchtime. By the close, Unilever (171p), Courtaulds (58p) and Dunlop Holdings (24p) were back to overnight levels, while ICI (127p) had shed a couple of pence.

Similar paths were traced by the heavy eogineers, with BLMC rounding off a troubled week at 6½p, unchanged on the day and a shade above the low point of 6½p reached immediately ahead of the disclosure of the disce the disclosure of the disas-

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Some building shares tried to struggle forward on the bope that the Government measures would raise the value of their land banks. But by the end of

the day, the best rise was in shares of H C James, 10p up at 67p, after a week of rumours that Heron Corporation might increase its stake.

Store and consumer had a good session, with reports of good Christmas trading helping offset suggestions than helping offset suggestions that retailers were expecting set-backs in the New Year. Marks & Spencer (104p) and Boots (99p) closed firmly. Trading results from Northern Foods left the shares 1p up at 22p. Equity turnover for December 19 was £55.5m (5,274). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were Land Securities, Town & City Properties, Netional Westminster Bank, English Properties, Great Portland Estates, Commercial Union, Marks & Spencer, Barclays Bank, Lloyds Bank and Bets.

Long-dated Government bonds Long-dated Government conds experienced a quiet, but firm market yesterday. Dealers reported steady demand for sock, which left prices some } points bigher throughout the "medium" and "long" lists.

Latest dividends

| | Al) dividends in new pence of | r appro | priate cur | rencies. | | |
|---|-------------------------------|---------|------------|----------|--------|--------------|
| | Company | Ord | Year | Pay | Year's | Prev |
| | jand per values: | div | ago | date | iota) | 7897 |
| | Associated Leisure (5p) Int | 1.56 | 1.3 | 2a, 2 | _ | 3.09 |
| | Camford Eng (10p) Fin | 3 | 3 _ | | 5 | 5 |
| | Charter Tot (25p) Fin | 1.41 | 1.13 | 15 3 | 2.23 | 1.87 |
| | ERF (Holdings) (25p) In | 2.48 | 2.35 | 7, 2 | _ | 5.23 |
| | Matthew Hall (25pt lot | 1.95 | 1.87 | _ | | 7.16 |
| | Monitor Hulidays (10p) Int | Nil | 0.5 | | _ | 0.5 |
| | Northern Feeds (25p) Fin | 2.28 | 1.94 | 3, 4 | 3.53 | 3.14 |
| | Phoenix Timber (25p) Int | 2.25 | 2.14 | _ | _ | 4.67 |
| | Travis & Arnold | D.78 | 0.73 | 31, 1 | _ | 3.85 5.52 |
| • | Wearwell (Sp) Int | 1.68 | 1.6 | 8/2 | _ | 5.52 |
| | | | | | | |

Jas Scott soars but no payout

On the back of a continuing trend of improvement in the United Kingdom and overseas, prems profits of James 5cort Engioeering Group, of Glasgow, are up from £192,000 to £429,000 for the balf year to July 31.

Mr R. Finlay Lockhead, the chairman says that he would be disappointed if the trend indicated by the half year's results is not maintained for the whole year. Last term ended with the group at a peak of £821,000.

Over the first nine months to September 30 growth was about 8 per cent to 51.21m Turnover for the half year is ahead from £13.3m to £14.3m. Group profits after tax have increased from £38,000 to including interest received up from £156,000 to £224,000. After a loss of minorities of £4,000, against a profit of £5,000, the attributable declined from £609,000 to £540,000. The balf-time asymptotics are the profit of £5000. £237,000, while the attributable profit is £53,500, against a loss of £12,000. The last dividend was paid in 1972, and Mr Finlay Lockhead explains that it is still necessary to reestablish the distributable reserves of the parent company so pay-ment must again be passed.

Ldn Indemnity talks progress

provisional liquidator of Loadon Indemnity & General Insurance, Jessel Securities' offshoot, say progress is being made in talks with a consortium of insurance offices who are trying to protect LIG policybolders from the full effects of liquidation.

But it has not yet been pos-sible to complete arrangements for the partial resomption of payments under LIG policies. As soon as these arrangements are made and the Court's approval geined, an explanatory letter will be sent out.

This will give the terms on which payments can be resumed and information on the acceptance of premiums from present

Lloyds Calif quitting

The London Interstate Bank says that Lloyds Bank Cali-fornia will "in due course" relinquisb its sbareholding. The decision follows the acquisition of LBC (formerly known as

First Western Bank & Trust Company) by Lloyds Eank, and is in recognition of Lloyds policy on participation io con-sortium benks. It will involve no reduction in Interstate capi-tal. The bolding is 420,000 ordinary sbares and Lim of

Rothschild Inv

After management expenses up from £151,000 to £164,000 interest down from £687,000 to £530,00 and tax, net revenue of Rothschild lovestment Trust increased by £99,000 to £903,000 in the balf to 5ep-

Pre-conversion, oet asset value per share was 339p (509p) and post-cooversion 375p (472p).

Graff Diamonds

Because of the ecoconic con-citions Graff Diamonds dis-contioned extended credit faci-lities with the result that In the half to September 30 turnover was down from £745,000 to £621,000 and taxable profits from £252,000 to £150,000.

The cash injection from the Mr Ian Wan, Receiver and reduction in debtors, together with deposits previously held, is to be used to raise stocks.

L& G nears solution The Takeover Panel Director

General, Mr Martin Harris, yesterday held talks with former model Miss Penny who still cootrols company Land & Brahms who property company Land & General Developments. Other parties also attended. Mr Harris is coovening a meeting of the full penel for January 17, by when, it is tentatively hoped, L & G's affairs will bave been resolved. The panel wants the voteless shareholders in L & G enfraochised and three independent directors appointed mean-

Camford at peak

Record pre-tax profits of £876,000 (against £850,000) were again achieved by Luton-based Camford Engineering in the year to 5eptember 30. This

queoces of absorbing the losses of Geo W. King during the period of reconstruction and reorganization of its capacity to meet the group's own requirements. There was a surplus, after tax, of £278,000 on a property scale. Turnover was more than doubled at £11m (£4.7m), while the total payment is beld

Dip at Travis & Arnold

Because of restrictions placed by the Price Commission to eliminate the £600,000 excess generated last year, taxable profits at Travis & Arnold, the profits at Travis & Arnold, the Northampton-based builders' Merchaots and timber importers, dropped from £1.9m to £1.3m for the balf year to August 31. Sales rose from £14.8m to £16.4m.

Mr E. Travis, the chairman, says that io spite of a continuing fall in the level of activity in

fall in the level of activity in the housebuilding market, the company is currently operating at a good level of profitability. Shareholders will receive an interim of 0.78p, against 0.75p gross. The company's overall debt has not increased materially over the level at debt February 28, and capital quirements can be met from traditional sources.

No Monitor payout

There is no interim dividend y Monitor Holidays, against 0.5p; but the board reports that liquidity has improved and a profitable outcome to the year is foteseen. So iar taxable profits are down from £230,000 to £159,000, on gross revenue of £2.46m (£2.28m).

Paterson loss

Coffee essence and food group R. Paterson had a pre-tax loss of £18,000, against a profit of £110,000, in the six months

to September 30. Although oot attempting a forecast, the directors are hoping for a better second balf, but consideration of an interior dividend is being deferred until March. Last time it was 1.480.

INTERIM STATEMENT

Letraset

Interim Results

Unaudited results for the six months ending 31 October, 1974

| | 1974 | <u> 1973</u> |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------|
| Sales (£000) | 8147 | 5559 |
| Profit before tax (£000) | 905 | 1101 |
| Earnings per share (p) | 2.25 | 2.99 |
| Dividend per share (p) | 0.369 | 0.343 |

Comment: Expectations based on the first quarter's trading were not realised in the second quarter, when stock rationalisation at the retailer level led to a weakness in sales performance.

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The market opened with surplus balances brought forward overnight aod during the session liquidity was further aided by ao excess of government dishursements over Exchequer recelpts.

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Commodities

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of huying support which mostly stemmed from protective covering together with some hedge lifting. The market closed steady, slightly under the highs, hut still showing on balance gains £13.00 to £18.00 a long ton. showing on balance gains £13.00 to £18.00 a long fon.

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UK Property result United Kingdom Property Company's 55m rights issue has been left to the underwriters to the tune of 48 per cent. Of the 20.3m ordinary shares offered to holders of the existing ordinary shares and to holders of the "A" and "B" warrants, 10.55m were taken up.

Tarmac.—A syndicate of four banks from three countries has agreed to lend the company \$17.5m for seven years, parity to help plans for investing overseas, parity to reduce short-term borrowings. CCP North Sea Associates.—Rights offer of 7,181 shares at £100 has

Foreign Exchange

The dollar cased against some European currencies yesterday from firm, early levels. Trading remained thin, with many banks having squared their books ahead of the end of the year, dealers

crost volatile currency, closing stronger against the dollar improvement was attributed to further monetary moves by the Swiss Cabinet following its meeting in the afternoon.

The Bank of England's sterling depreciation rate widened to 21.6 per cent at the close from 21.2 per cent overnight.
Gold rose \$1.75 an ounce to \$188.00.

of Sterling



Forward Levels



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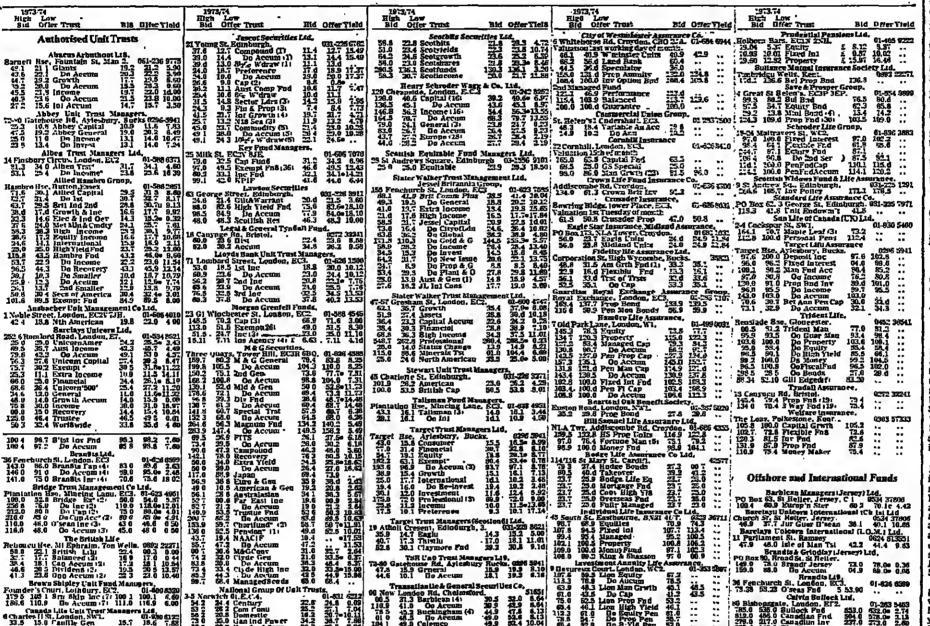
Sterling continued to weaken against most currencies, closing at \$2,3255 against the dollar, down

Spot Position





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| Nat Westminster | 12 % |
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Big economic and security gains in nuclear energy plans

PARLIAMENT, Dec. 20, 1974.

On the motion for the adjourn-ment for the Christmas recess, MR PALMER (Bristni, North-East, Lab), opening a debate on the British ouclear energy pro-gramme, said the nuclear contribution which was now proposed was not large enough in relation to the strains which might be placed on the national fuel economy in future. If they were not careful Britain could still find herself 10 years from now embarrassingly dependent still on substantial imports of oil and, for all he knew,

imports of coal.

North Sea oil had already been much murgaged for the luture.

Everything pointed to an urgest need for substantial expansion of nuclear capacity now that the choice of reactor had been decided once and for all. Was the modest programme proposed bound up with the choice of the reactor or were there still grave difficulties in the organization and control of the manufacturing side of the in-

dustry?
The minister had a unique opportunity to complete the rationalization of the manufacturrationalization of the manufacturing side of the industry that the Select Committee on Science and Technology advocated seven years ago. It had been an unhappy story. Four ministers ago the Honse was told that the National Nuclear Corporation bad arrived. The corporation still only existed on paper. He would like to see the Government move towards a majority shareholding in the industry because it was essential in the national interest that this should be dope.

MR NEAVE (Abingdon, C), a member of the Select Committee on Science and Technology, said the minister's decision to adopt the Steam Generated Heavy Water Reactor was not a pultical decision, as had been suggested, but a commercial and technical necision. The strament in The Times lead.

ston, as had been suggested, but a commercial and technical necision. The statement in The Times leading article on July 11, after the minister bad made the decision, that this was one of the worst political decisions in the industrial held for many a decade required some qualification. The Times knowledge of the problem did not suggest any alternative reactur.

MR PATRICK JENKIN Opposition spokesman on energy (Redbridge, Wanstead and Woodford, C) said the heavy water programme, because of its size, would require substantial quantities of heavy water. But MPs had not heard anything about this recently. One advantage of the beavy water reactor decision was the chance of getting Canadian know-bow.

He had been told in Canada, however, that the difficulty facing the Canadians was that they had not got anyone to talk to notil the

the Canadians was that they had not got anyone to talk to uotil the National Nuclear Corporation came into being. The Canadians had said they could not make any progress until there was an organization they could have discussions with. It was a matter of dispute that MPs bad oot seen greater progress towards establishing the corporation.

MR FADIE Under Secretary for MR EADIE, Under Secretary for Coal, Department of Energy (Midlothian, Lab), said the Government's policy on nuclear power had one vital element. In overall

been to supply the nation: needs at the minimum c resources consistent with of supply, public safety a tection of the environment Their approach was to n best use of indigenous reand to bring them for quickly as technically and mically possible, especiali next few years.

Nuclear power stations now could not come of before the early 1980s and capacity up to then was the the amount of capacity a service or under con-Therefore, there were big ic and security advantages ing up the nuclear purponent of the energy ecquickly as possible.

It may be expected to important ecorgy source but this depended critical cess in establishing a dustry capability for the manufacture and constituted and constituted and constituted as the constitution of the second constitutions and constitutions are constitutions and constitutions are constitutions and constitutions. The Secretary of State that he wanted to imple cessfully the nuclear particularly the heavy too. The initial program covernment's consider Government's consider was large enough to grace industry the upport confidence to make the investment but without

industrial capabilities the years to come. The National Nucle. ation was already funct progress in making the crully operational was dependent on the set nighty complex negati the acquisition of the t consortia companies. Negatiations had r solvanced stage. It won propriate to say more on the shareholding str the Secretary of State taken to keep the House The Gavernment has rights in the operation poration, for example formation of internat and the maintenance of and the maintenance (
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MR BISHOP, Minist
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no longer relevant to no longer relevant t situation and the rat would be the same for The order would pr slogle rate of grant of

£96,000 paid to victims terrorist outrages

MR BIGGS-DAVISON (Epping Forest, C) asked the Secretary of State for Defence whether, having regard to the size of the payments made to relatives of civilians killed as a result of the disturbance in Londonderry on su-called Bloody Sunday, he was satisfied that there was adequate financial provision for the relatives of members of the for the relatives of members of the security forces killed by terrorists in Northern Ireland.

in Northern Ireland.

MR WILLIAM RODGERS,
Minister of State for Defence, said
in a written reply: The widows of
members of the regular forces
kidled in Northern Ireland on or
after March 3, 1973, as a result of
terrorist activities are eligible for
awards under the new forces
attributable family pensions
of thems in addition to the war pensions provisions made by the
Department of Health and Social
Security.

Examples are that a widow of a
private soldier with four children

private soldier with four children would get e total pension from MoD and the DHSS of £3,305 a year and a widow of a major with two children would get a total pension of £5,025 a year. In addition, there would be imp sum payments of at least £2,598 for the formatting of terrorism io this helieve that the Croompensation Scheme the best basis for compensation of the com

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Servicemen killed as terrorist activity are to claim compensatio Criminal Injuries to P

Change of control over regional assistance

MR J. SILLARS asked the Prime which will include Minister to make a statement on the responsibilities of the Secretaries of State for Scotland and Wales and the Secretary of State to the Scottish and for industry respectively on also tance to industry in view of the forthcoming establishment of the Scottish and Welsb development

agencies.

MR HAROLD WILSON said in a written reply—I have decided that in the new circumstances it is appropriate to transfer to the Secretaries of State for Scotland and Wales respectively the ministerial responsibility for selective regional assistance in Scotland and Wales upder section 7 of the Industry under section 7 of the Industry Act, 1972, which has hitherto been exercised for Great Britain es B whole by the Secretary of State for Industry. luterdepartmental

smooth transfer of and the Scottish and and the transfer will mally effective on Junexercising their new ties the Secretaries Scotland and Wales of the Secretaries o close cooperation will tary of State for Indu This transfer of ful field of industrial dev provide them with the oeed to support an Scottish and Welsb agencies, which a already announced, v and effective instrur-dustrial development ation. They will short ing their comprehent planning, for the ageocies.

Restraints on Greece ? Turkey cotton imports

MR FRANK WHITE (Bury and involved motifying Radcliffe, Lab) asked the Secre-Assurance, Lan) asked the Secretary of State for Industry what action the Government proposed to take on imports of cotton yarn.

MR MEACHER, Under Secretary, said in a written reply: On

MR MEACHER, Under Secretary, said in a written reply: On November 27 I said that the Government were urgently reviewing the courses of action open to us and that there was no assurance that the present terms of entry to our market for imported yarns would continue.

With effect from 1974, imported of cot Greece and Turkey to import literating the ment of Trade will details of the arrange as possible.

We have also dispendently a dispensable continue.

would continue. I wish to inform the House that I wish to inform the House that our proposals to limit the level of imports into our market of cotton yarn from Turkey and Greece by means of import quotas bave been received with sympathy and under-standing by our colleagues in the Community. These proposals to apply safeguards under the Medi-terranean Association Agreements

the Community a diimports from present source, principally for and Hongkong sub-restrictions in 1975. restrictions in 1975.
These sources will restricted in 1975.
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Stock Exchange Prices

Property shares active

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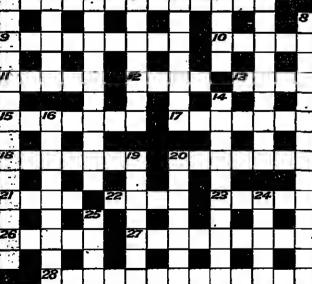
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